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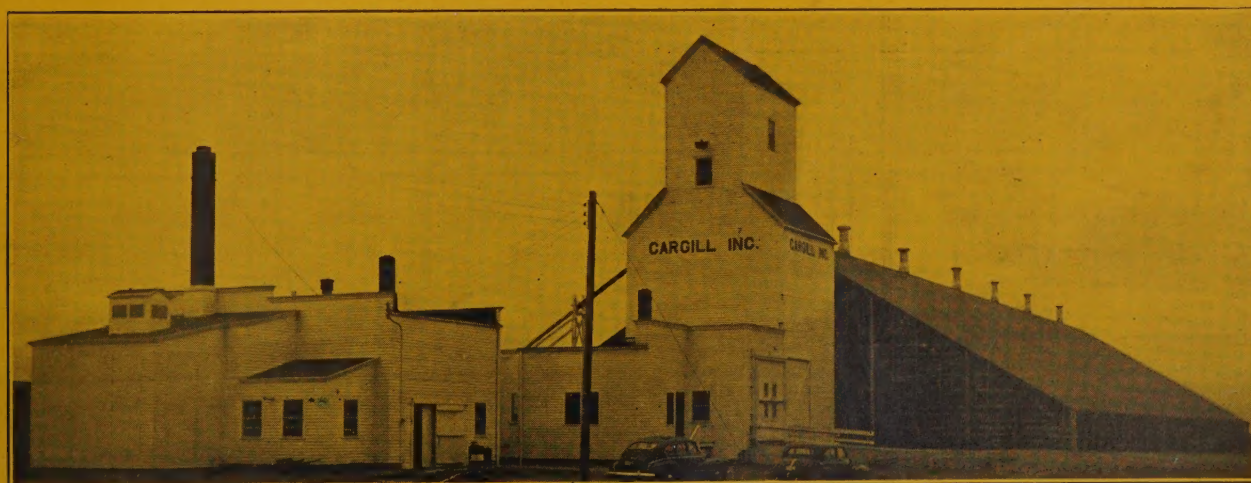
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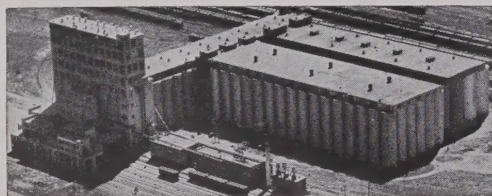
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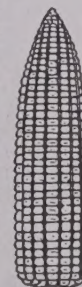
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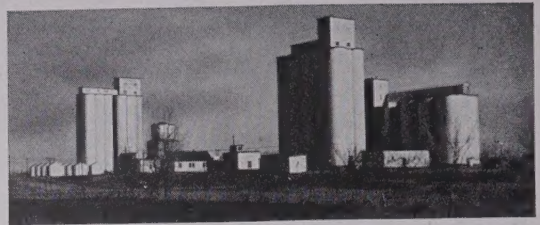
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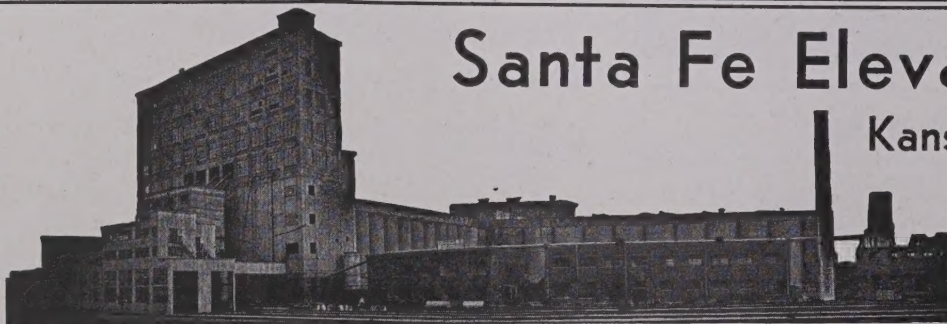
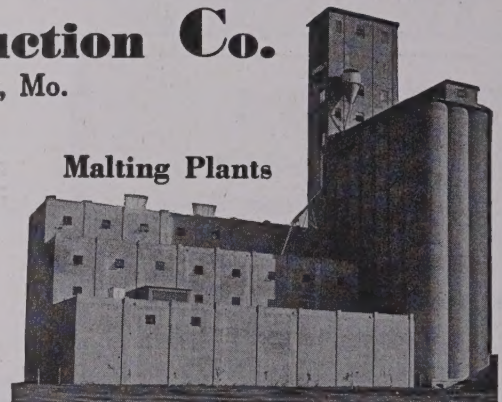
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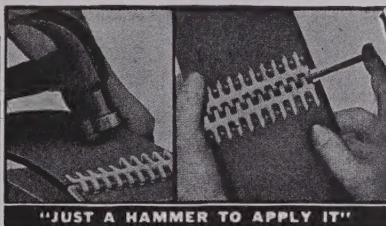
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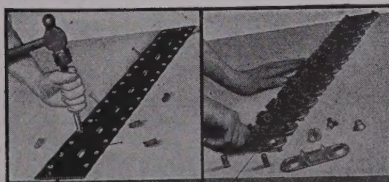
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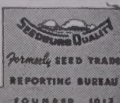
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Supply Trade

Sidney, O.—L. A. Windle died May 18. He was greatly admired and respected by those who knew him as the representative of the Sidney Grain Machinery Co.

Beatrice, Neb.—H. L. Dempster of the Dempster Mill Mfg. Co., who underwent an operation in a local hospital, has returned to his home much improved.—P.J.P.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—A. F. Rucks has been elected pres. and general manager of the C. J. Tagliabue Mfg. Co. to succeed the late C. D. Waters. J. T. Kottcamp of Johns-Manville has been elected a director.

Muncy, Pa.—Sprout, Waldron & Co. is preparing for expansion and post-war operation by enlisting the services of Dr. Thos. B. Dorris as chief chemical engineer, and John Kiessel to study applicability of the company's equipment to post-war production.

New York, N. Y.—A building code standard which can be used by cities and towns everywhere has just been approved by the American Standards Ass'n. The standard Administrative Requirements for Building Codes should be particularly valuable to the average town and city which desires to establish an up-to-date system of enforcement.

Washington, D. C.—The output of magnesium sand castings, forgings, and extrusions reached new peaks in February, 1944 according to data just released by the Aluminum and Magnesium Division of W.P.B. Sand castings shipments exceeded 6,600,000 pounds, an increase of 6 per cent over January. Shipments of forgings rose to 54,000 pounds, and extrusions to 168,000 pounds.

Kansas City, Mo.—Paul K. Fishman has been employed as general manager of the General Mill Equipment Co., his experience as a mill superintendent being valuable to B. E. Moorman, who continues as vice pres., and filling the void created by the recent death of S. H. Stoltzfus, milling engineer, who headed the business.

Washington, D. C.—The lumber retail distribution industry met May 30. The proposed amendment to L-335 will establish control over consumption and distribution, whereas present orders, in general, control only a portion of production of certain species. It is proposed, WPB officials stated, to make allotments of lumber to distributors from which they may sell without specific authorization of purchase orders. Such a plan will give the necessary control over consumption at the distributor level instead of at the level of the ultimate small consumer.

Cereal and Grain Machinery Critical

The War Production Board announced June 2 that the need for cereal and grain machinery and equipment repair parts has become extremely critical.

Overproduction of some items, underproduction of others and continual crises because of interjected orders, beside the constant uncertainty due to emergency repair orders, are conditions affecting the industry's current operations.

Reports showed that during the first six months of the current fiscal year, production of all types of machinery and equipment on quotas averaged 69 per cent. Unfilled orders of all types averaged nearly 84 per cent.

Both government and industry acknowledged that special programs, like the alcohol program, which have been superimposed on the industry,

could not be planned for when production quotas were set up. Committee members were convinced that the interposition of orders bearing A.A.A. preference ratings and directives, turned production into a series of crises and made disregard of the quotas inevitable. They held this partly to blame for the industry's uneven record.

In recognition of the rising trend in both produced and unfilled orders for grinding and mixing and feeding machinery, any further allocations would be made in two categories only: grinding, mixing and feeding, and all other machinery with some special consideration being given to separators and graders, WPB said.

WPB officials expressed the belief that manufacturers will receive production quotas for the 1945 fiscal year (October 1944 to October 1945) in June.

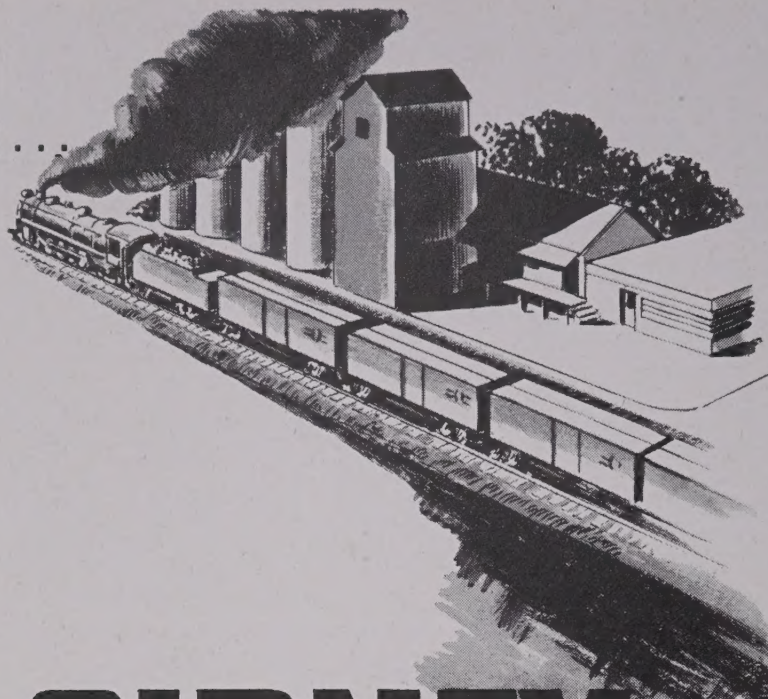
Reporting on the manpower situation, committee members stated that they were coping with the shortage by long hours and extra half-shifts of part-time employees.

After hearing a discussion of the proposed formation of an over-all machinery committee to be composed of two members from each of the eight functioning committees, the cereal and grain machinery and equipment group went on record approving representation on it.

Regarding foreign orders, the unanimous opinion of the committee was that, while no definite commitment or refusal can be made without knowing the extent of the requirements, the industry with its labor shortages and overloaded schedules could not produce any sizeable foreign orders unless it halts its war orders.

The manufacturers approved the recent amendment to Order L-292, but inquiry showed they desire a simplification of the reporting form WPB-2721. It is probable a simplified reporting form will be substituted for the detailed one used.

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QUERIES for grain trade information not found in the Journal are invited. The service is free.

CHICAGO 4, ILL., JUNE 14, 1944

WHILE the amount of idle land is much larger than usual due to the small man power available for farm work, the industry and loyalty of the old farmers and the extensive use of machines promises to result in large crops for the elevator operator to handle.

A FEED mill at Bardwell, Ky., is reported to have been burned as a result of lightning, without any insurance. Of course this plant was not protected by standard lightning equipment, but the idea of going without any insurance against fire when insurance is obtainable at such a low cost seems decidedly shortsighted.

INDIANA grain dealers have joined the merchants of other states in the commendable crop improvement work and organized a Wheat Improvement Ass'n. with a definite purpose, that will result in the improvement in quality and price and give the grain dealer a larger volume to handle. It merits the hearty support of every grain buyer interested in the welfare of his community.

THIRTY-ONE Iowa grain buyers were fined \$12,050 recently for buying corn on the Monett, Mo., basis. Inasmuch as the O.P.A. blundered in wrongly listing Monett, it would seem more to blame than the grain buyers. However, price control will soon be in the discard, then the payers of unfair fines can apply for a refund.

FLOODS AND bugs seem determined to revive the Crop Killer's Union, and many reports are broadcast regarding the destructive work of the chinch bugs, the cut worms, the corn borers and the floods. However, the broad distribution of moisture has revived the hopes of many farmers that once again they will harvest a record crop.

GRAIN MERCHANTS generally have marvelled at the enormous losses of the CCC in its handling of various grains but when we learn that this venture of the AAA has cost the taxpayers several billion, it is easy to understand how any bureau could handle 301,000,000 bus of wheat between July 1, 1943 and June 10, 1944 without going broke.

THE WPB has lifted its prohibition against the use of soft red winter wheat in the production of industrial alcohol, so millers who are anxious to obtain a bountiful supply of starchy wheat will have more competition for their raw material, and grain dealers who specialize in this class of bread grain will be able to realize a better price for it.

POST WAR plans of the WFA call for a large supply of foodstuff for the many nations long overrun by the pirates even through 1945, so American farmers must plan an increased production, and American grain handlers must equip their plants to handle larger crops. The producers of North America cannot afford to let the hungry people of Europe starve.

THE STRIKE of grain weighers at Minneapolis occurred because the men are employed by the state and the state railroad and warehouse commission has no power to raise wages above the amount appropriated by the legislature. The grain growers and grain handlers, unfortunately, are the victims of a condition over which they have no control. The worker whose cost of living has increased has no recourse but to seek employment elsewhere.

AN ELECTRIC light bulb left burning all night in the elevator of Engleson & VanLiere at Wolcott, N. Y., ignited a wood partition and threatened the early destruction of the plant, but fortunately fire was discovered in time to save the property. Careless workmen can destroy an elevator every week if they neglect to give the plant a careful inspection before leaving for the night. A wire enclosure will reduce the light bulb hazard except when left in bulk grain.

IF outstanding accounts are ever to be converted to cash now is the time to collect, when the public is flush of cash. And the funds collected in the form of paper money or bank credits that may lose value thru inflation should be invested in tangible assets of value to business enterprise.

COUNTRY ELEVATOR operators will be glad to pay their farmer patrons \$2.04 for green and yellow soy beans when grading No. 2 and not containing excessive moisture, but they would be much happier if they were permitted to collect a fair handling charge for their service. Five cents is not enough for handling a two dollar article especially where the buyer must guarantee weights and grades.

GOVERNMENT by whim of men instead of the words of law in the administration of the price control law has finally moved the House of Representatives to curb abuse of power by the O.P.A. If the amendments tentatively adopted this week by the House are enacted the defendant will have a day in court to have set aside dictatorial orders. No longer can the O.P.A. after a secret trial suspend a firm from doing business, nor forbid the sale of merchandise to an accused firm by what amounts to a boycott.

THE TRADITION in the grain trade that the first week in June is the time to sell never was more justified than in this month of June, 1944, as a glance at our chart of Chicago futures will show. At this time the fields are a pleasing green, the movement of wheat and oats in the Southwest has begun. In 1944 the June condition of wheat is so good it cannot get any better. Wheat promises 198,500,000 bus. more than was harvested in 1943. These factors promise a good speculative market in wheat. The daily volume of trade is more than twice what it was a year ago; and the open interest in wheat futures increased from 32,296,000 May 31 to 39,154,000 bus. June 12 on the Chicago Board of Trade. Another tradition is that a large volume of trade is accompanied by higher prices.

IMMEDIATE CANCELLATION of all non-war conventions, trade meetings and conferences has been demanded by the director of the Office of Defense Transportation. The director should have qualified his demand by a declaration that trade meetings of those interested in moving the crops are helpful to the war effort, and to spread the requirements ascertained thru meetings of the advisory committees created by the O.P.A. or W.F.A. in the grain and feed handling industry. At the recent Omaha convention of Nebraska dealers the O.P.A. representative obtained a strong endorsement of the enforcement policies and the members went home resolved to aid in preventing violations of ceilings.

Private Enterprise to Be Relieved

The friends of private enterprise are greatly encouraged by the recent development in Congress of a strong animosity for bureaucratic control of business. The many attempts of the pin-head bureaucrats to dominate business has aroused such a strong public opposition to their meddling with business, which they do not understand, should give real encouragement to businessmen who have been working earnestly to help the government successfully to promote its various war activities. Permanent employment which many of the sap suckers hoped for, has gone a-glimmering. Congress is determined to do away with all of the bureaus established without congressional consent.

While the many rules, regulations and directives have greatly handicapped different lines of business, Congress seems disposed to give private enterprise an early and complete relief. The course of the war now gives much encouragement for private enterprise in every line of business. This means more efficient service to the public and the greater success for the business.

Sneaking Inflation and Higher Bread Costs

While the public and the Congress have been asleep at the switch the planners have steadily worked to raise the price of bread by raising the loan rate on wheat.

Subsidy at the expense of taxpayers is used to disguise the dose.

Most of us have forgotten that in 1938 the government basic loan rate on wheat at Chicago was 77 cents per bushel. At the farm it was 53 cents per bushel.

Step by step the loan rate has been increased every year. In 1939 it was 80 cents; in 1940 81 cents; in 1941 \$1.15; in 1942 \$1.32; in 1943 \$1.42, and in 1944 it is \$1.49; and at the farm \$1.28, which is more than twice the farm rate of 1938.

This increase in the loan rate is a perversion of the original purpose in making loans, which was to support the market when depressed, so the grower would not have to sell his crop at a loss.

When the government lent 53 cents in 1938 the peak amount of wheat under loan was 66,000,000 bus. When the loan rate was raised to \$1.14 on the farm in 1942 it is not surprising that the government found 406,213,000 bus. dumped on the Commodity Credit Corporation, many growers figuring that they were really selling to the government, which was possible since the loans were and are made "without recourse".

All restrictions on rice shipments to the various states and all set aside requirements on rice for the armed services and lend-lease were lifted May 15 to be effective thru July 31.

War-Time Problems Confronting Grain Industry

By FRANK THEIS, Kansas City, vice chairman, Nat'l Grain Trade Council, before Nebraska Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n.

I congratulate you on your 16th annual meeting. You have a fine record behind you and a more glorious record to achieve.

It was thirty years ago this spring that I opened an office at Hastings.

During this time four major emergencies confronted the grain industry.

Back in 1914 period the price of wheat on the farm averaged 60 cents a bushel. Later with the shortage wheat soared to \$3.50 per bushel and the government pegged it at \$2.20 Chicago. That was our first emergency.

THE SECOND major crisis occurred in 1929 with the formation of the Federal Farm Board, the Farmers National Grain Corporation and the Grain Stabilization Corporation. Wheat had averaged \$1.25½ at that time but there followed a continuous decline to an all time low of 39 cents per bushel at Kansas City.

THE THIRD major crisis that we still are confronted with was the advent of the New Deal in 1933.

The declaration of policy of the new farm bill proposed to give farmers a purchasing power equal to that of a former period. Inflationary power and farm mortgage relief followed. That is a new and untried path.

In May, 1933, I was summoned to Washington and for 18 months was head of the wheat marketing division of the A. A. A. They realized that I was a critic of the farm law. Some of us were able to guide them so the beneficial part was carried to a finish.

You recall the N. R. A., the old code, the country elevator code and the terminal elevator code. I had 16 codes under my jurisdiction. You recall the acreage plan, which has been abandoned. The processing tax was finally held unconstitutional.

In 1937 the plan was changed about considerably. In 1938 it was amended and we are now operating under that.

IN FARM BOARD DAYS we were disturbed over the price fixing that would have wrecked our futures markets. Since then government control has been extended to every type of business to complete control under the pseudonym of planned economy. The scheme will impose a burden on three-fourths of the people. In the grain trade we have been convinced of the destructive effects on agriculture of these nostrums.

The next real emergency was when the World War arrived. In 1938 the first wheat loan was made at 72 cents at Kansas City for No. 2 hard. This was raised in following years to 77 cents, \$1.10, \$1.27 and \$1.43. The good old law of supply and demand really brought about the rise in price.

This industry has offered the government every assistance in the war.

The corn question is one of the major difficulties in the O. P. A.

Mar. 12, when the permanent corn ceiling was set at \$1.02 Chicago, 99 cents Kansas City, and 95 cents Omaha, the grain trade was not then permitted to suggest the price at which the ceiling should be set. The escalator plan of Apr. 14 was followed by changes May 5, May 31, June 14, 16 and 25.

THE ARMY came down from Leavenworth and told us they were there to take over our corn supplies. We said it violates all the laws but "it is your property."

The most important amendment permitted the price to be reflected back from the terminal to the farm. We have white corn that figures 25 to 30 cents over the ceilings.

It requires 100 times the clerical work of the terminal elevator operator in that you are long or short of every type of billing that you have.

Wheat ceilings are functioning fairly well. It is restrictive to all volume. But none of us have complained too much of it, as it is a war order.

We have endeavored to co-operate with the O. P. A.

The C.C.C. or any other agency of the government can sell wheat above ceiling prices (correcting error by a speaker the day before).

No man can sit down and give answers to all these questions; and still the grain trade goes along with the thing.

OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM is the question of manpower and railroad equipment. It goes to the farm, the country elevator, the terminal. The railroad car situation is the most serious we have ever known.

There are only half as many box cars now as during the first World War.

Forty-two hundred cars are needed in the West for grain loading. In normal times 20,000 to 25,000 cars would be stored ready for the movement. The war effort requires every car the armed forces can get their hands on.

I say to you the difficulty in railroad cars is something you have never seen before.

June 20 the movement in the Panhandle of Texas will start. If the weather should be forcing in states north 42,000 cars would not be enough for 2 days' loading in our Kansas City area.

In the five states tributary to Kansas City there is 335,000,000 bus. of storage capacity, exclusive of farm storage. We have now vacant capacity. Mill stocks are down.

The War Labor Board is establishing a new committee to deal with the manpower situation.

ORGANIZATION.—Why does the grain industry work these things out? It is because we are becoming well organized.

The National Grain Trade Council is the one body that stands between you and the federal authorities in Washington. We for the first time are able to furnish the government with data.

In the post-war era we will have some staggering problems to solve; and we must solve them together: first, fascism; second, government money to finance industry, meaning—state socialism; third, re-establishment of the free economy allowing the individual to benefit himself and retain the profits of his industry.

O.P.A. Enforcement

The O.P.A. has applied for orders of court to restrain eight growers in Hunt County, Tex., from violating ceiling prices of corn.

Newman Grove, Neb.—Jos. Johnson, doing business as Farmers Grain Co., has been fined \$150 for buying corn at higher than ceiling prices.



Frank Theis, Kansas City, Mo.

Mid-Summer Meeting of Indiana Grain Dealers

Grain and Feed Dealers in Indiana are looking forward with anticipation and interest to their mid-summer business conference to be held in Indianapolis, Friday, June 23rd. Secretary Fred K. Sale of the Indiana Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n, is expecting an attendance of around 400 at the one-day convention. Headquarters will be at the Severin Hotel and the meeting will be held in the Roof Garden. There will be morning and afternoon sessions.

Headlining the prominent speakers on the tentative program arrangements so far are, J. L. Welsh of Omaha, Nebraska, President of the Grain & Feed Dealers National Ass'n, and Walter C. Berger, Chief, Feed Management Branch of the Food Production Administration of Washington, D. C. Don B. Jenkins, Indianapolis, Chairman of the Indiana Wheat Improvement Committee, will give a report on the work of his organization to encourage the production of better varieties of soft winter wheat in the State. E. E. Allison, Indianapolis, Chairman of the Grain Storage and Handling Committee of the Association, will give a report of the efforts of the Association to obtain an increased soybean handling charge on the coming crop. The 1944 Soybean Purchase Program will be discussed and the changes effective this year over last year, will be explained by Alvah F. Troyer, Chief, Grain Section of the State AAA. An outstanding speaker dealing with post-war conditions in the grain trade, will be added to the program soon.

The meeting will be open to all interested in the grain, feed or milling business. There will be no registration fee nor any other expense to the delegates incurred at this convention.

Pricing Texas Sorghum

The Regional Office of the O.P.A. at Dallas, Tex., has issued a ruling that the on track price f.o.b. any Texas common point where produced shall be \$2.08 per cwt. of sorghum grains.

MPR No. 511 provides that the maximum price for grain sorghums on track at points other than base points shall be the maximum price listed for the base point cities, plus or minus the premium or discount normal to the trade. MPR No. 511 succeeded TMPR No. 33, which contained the same pricing method. These prices were established by TMPR No. 33 as of the effective date of that regulation, Dec. 6, 1943. TMPR No. 33 froze prices at the existing relationship to the most closely related and, therefore, normal market that was listed in the freeze order. A seller, therefore, does not have an option to select the most favorable base point in determining the price at any non-base point but must take the normal base point and the relationship which existed between the base point during the period of Nov. 29 to Dec. 3, 1943.

After extensive investigation and consultation with the grain industry of Texas, it has been determined that, of the base point cities named in the regulation, Houston and Fort Worth were the most closely related and, therefore, the normal markets in the two weeks' period preceding Dec. 6, 1943, for sorghum grains produced in Texas.

It has further been determined by consultation with the grain industry that for many years preceding the effective date of TMPR No. 33, the normal discount demanded and obtained by coarse grain buyers at Texas points was full freight to Texas common points, regardless of the location of the point of sale.

Based upon these facts, it is therefore, the opinion of the Kansas City O.P.A. Office that the normal base points referred to in MPR No. 511 for sorghum grains sold at non-base points in Texas are the Texas cities of Fort Worth and Houston, and that the discount normal to the trade for such purchases is full freight allowed to Texas common points. Under this

interpretation the maximum price that may be paid for sorghum grains on track at any Texas common points where produced is \$2.40, less the normal discount of full freight, plus tax, to Texas common points, i.e., 32c or \$2.08 F.O.B.

To Pay Shellers Directly

Hitherto the 5 cents per bushel allowed for shelling corn could be paid by the elevator operator to the seller only.

Effective immediately Lee M. Gentry, Illinois A.A.A. chairman, announced May 13 that payment of 5 cents per bushel for shelling and transportation of corn will be made directly to any person incurring such expense when he presents to the chairman of his local county A.A.A. committee evidence of sale of his corn to an approved elevator.

Many Prosecuted for Monett, Mo., Sales

Thirty-one Iowa elevators have paid \$12,050 in assessments on corn ceiling violations known as the "Monett, Mo., margin," the Des Moines district office of price administration reported.

Several elevators paid more than \$1,000 each, Donald D. Holdoegel, district enforcement attorney, said.

He added that O. P. A. officials were investigating probably 50 more elevators in connection with similar sales.

The assessments to date are believed to represent overcharges on more than 600,000 bushels of corn.

Wheat Loan Program of 1944

Wheat loans averaging nationally \$1.28 a bushel at the farm will be made by the War Food Administration's Commodity Credit Corporation on the 1944 crop. Last year the average was \$1.23.

Loans will be made on a note and chattel mortgage basis for wheat stored on farms and a note and loan agreement for wheat stored in approved warehouses.

Wheat produced in 1944 grading U. S. No. 3 or better or grading U. S. No. 4 or U. S. No. 5 because of test weight only, will be eligible for loan. Loans will vary from the basic rate of \$1.28 per bushel at the farm to take into account location, grade, and quality. For example, the loan rate for No. 1 hard winter wheat at Kansas City for 1944 is \$1.44 per bushel as compared with \$1.38 in 1943.

Seven cents per bushel storage allowance will be advanced at the time of the loan on all farm-stored wheat. Loans on both farm-stored and warehouse-stored wheat will mature on demand but not later than Apr. 30, 1945. Any loans may be liquidated by the payment of the full amount advanced plus 3 per cent interest from the date of the note. All loans will be administered in the counties by county Agricultural Adjustment Agency committees under the general supervision of the State committees.

Loan values at selected terminal markets are as follows: No. 1 hard winter, at Kansas City, \$1.44; at Omaha, \$1.44; at Galveston, \$1.52; at Chicago, \$1.49; at St. Louis, \$1.49. No. 1 soft white or western white at Portland, \$1.39; No. 1 dark northern spring, at Minneapolis, \$1.46; No. 1 red winter, at Chicago, \$1.49; at St. Louis, \$1.49; at Philadelphia, \$1.60; at Baltimore, \$1.60; at Louisville, \$1.51.

The 4 main insect pests of stored whole grain in California are said to be the granary weevil, rice weevil, angoumois grain moth, and the lesser grain borer, the first being the most important species in northern and the second in southern California. Among the 11 listed as secondary pests, the saw-toothed grain beetle, confused flour beetle, and red flour beetle are common and almost equally widespread, according to E. G. Linsley and A. E. Michelbacher of the University of California.

Ceiling on Red Texas Oats

The O.P.A. at Dallas, Tex., has issued an interpretation under MPR-511 affecting the purchase of oats produced in Texas. The ruling provides for a price of 84 cents per bu. on No. 2 red oats on-track at any Texas common point where produced. It also establishes a price of 83 cents for No. 3 red oats, on the same basis. Delivered prices are to be figured by adding cost of transportation plus mark-ups normal to the trade.

The new maximums are effective immediately and means considerable readjustment of ceiling prices. In the oats "freeze" order of last Dec. 6 a basis price of 92 cents a bu. was set for No. 3 white at Fort Worth. Bulk of the Texas oats crop is of the red variety, which is brought within the scope of the extended "freeze" order by the above interpretation.

Soy Meal Advisory Committee

A soybean meal industry advisory committee has been named by the Office of Price Administration to represent the 80 companies engaged in the manufacture of soybean oil meal, to give advice with reference to maximum price regulations covering animal feeds. It is composed of the following:

E. K. Scheiter, vice-pres., A. E. Staley Mfg. Co., Decatur, Ill.; V. A. Acer, vice-pres., Spencer Kellogg & Sons, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y.; H. R. Schultz, manager, Pillsbury Soy Mills, Centerville, Ia.; H. E. Carpenter, pres., Berea Milling Co., Lexington, O.; J. B. DeHaven, pres., Allied Mills, Inc., Chicago; P. M. Jarvis, vice-pres., Swift & Co., Chicago; S. D. Ormsby, pres., Oswego Soy Products Corp., Oswego, N. Y.; Roger Drackett, exec. vice-pres., The Drackett Co., Cincinnati, O.; P. E. Sprague, vice-pres., The Glidden Co., Cleveland, O.; D. J. Bunnell, vice-pres., Central Soya Co., Inc., Chicago; Philip S. Duff, sec'y, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., Minneapolis, Minn.; E. E. Johnson, manager, Soybean & Oil Meal Div., Ralston Purina Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Sale Contract Not a Sale

The Rudy-Patrick Seed Co., of Kansas City, Mo., made the following contract:

Purchase Contract

Date, June 24, 1941.

In consideration of \$1.00 and other valuable presents to me this date in hand paid and receipt, We, Ed Roseman, Town Lorimor, State Iowa, have this day sold to Rudy-Patrick Seed Co. the following seed:

About 3500 bus. of Rough Ky. Bluegrass. On basis quality (as inspected sample marked E R) at \$0.82½ per bushel.

Seed to be delivered on or after July 15, 1941, in dry, sound, merchantable condition.

The seed was in Roseman's yard at Lorimor. Not having been delivered on July 15, the Rudy-Patrick Co. petitioned the court July 19 for a writ of replevin and the sheriff took possession of the property all of which was shipped to Kansas City.

Apr. 11, 1942, the Rudy-Patrick Co. filed an amended petition asking a writ of replevin.

The defense was that under the contract plaintiff had no right to possession of the property.

The jury so held and fixed the value of 3,607 bus. rough Kentucky bluegrass at \$3,065.95 on Apr. 15, 1942, and defendant was entitled to damages of \$396.70 additional for wrongful taking of the seed, that being the difference in market value owing to decrease between July 19, 1941, and Apr. 15, 1942. The court further found that 214 bus. of bluegrass dirt sweepings taken under the writ were valued at \$104.86.

Rudy-Patrick took an appeal to the Supreme Court of Iowa, which on Mar. 7, 1944, affirmed the decision in favor of Roseman, holding that title did not pass until delivery, stating: "We hold that under the facts in the case an action in replevin cannot be maintained."—19 N. W. Rep. 347.

Asked—Answered

[Readers desiring trade information should send query for free publication here. The experience of brother dealers is most helpful. Replies to queries are solicited.]

Separation of Ergot?

Grain & Feed Journals: How is ergot separated from rye grains?—S. W. P. Co.

Ans.: Ergot is a growth that is easily separated at the time of threshing but difficult after the moisture has evaporated from it. When damp the seed is whole and is large and about an inch long, most any cleaner with proper sized perforated screens will take it out.

After the moisture leaves the ergot it then breaks into small pieces, it becomes very brittle and will break up as small as the rye so that screens will not remove it, according to Phil Grotevant.

Ergot being light and of an oily nature can be separated from the grain by agitating with water, when the ergot will float to the top and can be skimmed off. The rye and ergot to be handled thereafter must be dried, except that if the rye is to be milled the washing can be considered a part of the tempering process, thus killing two birds with one stone.

Deferment for Elevator Manager?

Grain & Feed Journals: A young man, managing a grain elevator for the past three years, has been ordered to report for induction into the army July 1. Is there not some exemption or deferment of an elevator manager engaged in an essential industry?—D.W.

Ans.: The local draft board determines the status. The procedure is as follows:

How to Request Occupational Deferment for an Employee. Request for occupational deferment must be made by filing with the Local Selective Service Board an Affidavit for Occupational Classification (Industrial) on D.S.S. Form 42-A (Revised 9-15-42).

Each case should be prepared with great care. Be sure to give complete detailed information to show (a) the essential nature of the activity in which the employee is engaged, and (b) why the registrant is a "necessary man" in that activity. The employee's duties should be described in detail. Evidence must also be included to show the degree of training, skill and experience required, and what efforts have been made to obtain and train replacements.

The list of critical occupations include: The handling of grain, first processing of grain, grain assembly services (warehousing), feed mixing, flour milling, but does not imply or intend blanket deferment for these groups.

The immediate effect of a worker's induction upon vital production, the availability of replacement for even unskilled labor, the current shortages of both skilled and unskilled labor, and the replaceability, all are factors Local Boards must consider in classifying and calling men.

In judging replaceability, Boards are instructed to consider: (a) the shortage of the registrant's skill in the total labor force, (b) the shortage of workers to replace even unskilled workmen, and (c) a shortage in the place of employment even when no national shortage exists.

The test of a necessary man is: (1) The registrant is engaged in an essential activity. (2) He cannot be replaced because of a shortage of persons with his qualifications or skill in such activity. (3) His removal would cause a loss in the effectiveness of that activity.

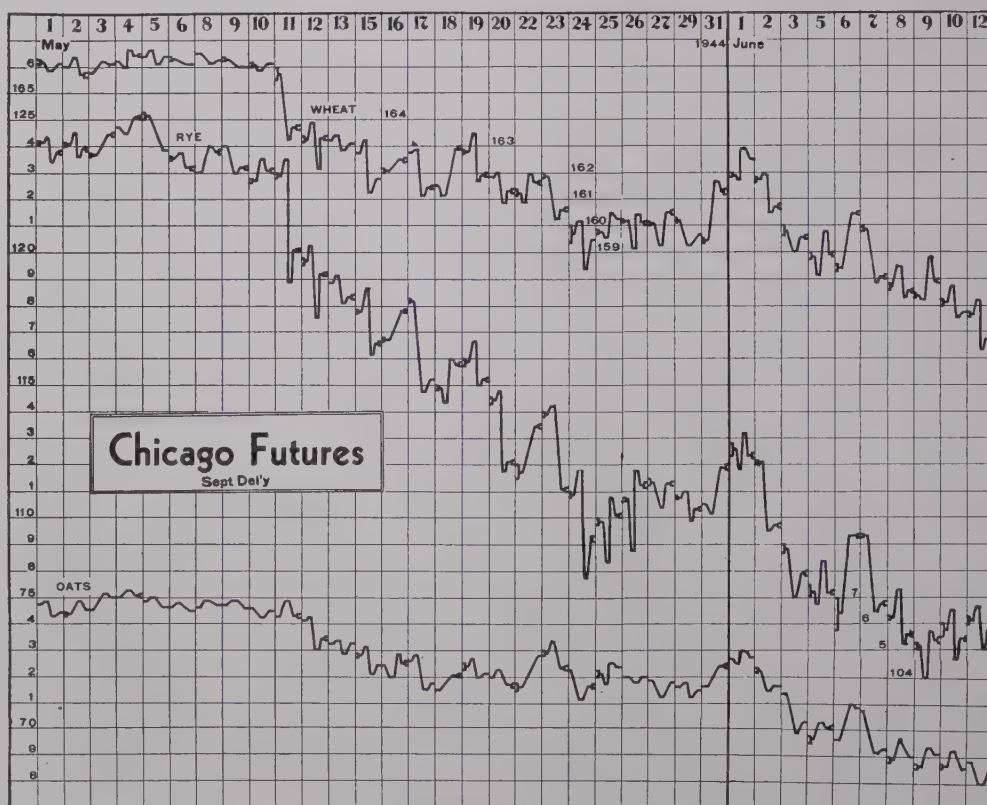
Local Boards are directed that whenever,

after the most careful consideration, they conclude a registrant, alleged to be in a critical occupation in war production or support of the war effort, is not entitled to occupational deferment on the basis of his present employment, to refer the registrant's name and present occupation, together with a statement of his skills and qualifications and place of present employment, to the local office of the United States Employment Service in the area in which the Local Board is located.

Shrinkage in Rolling Wheat?

Grain & Feed Journals: What is generally considered a normal loss in weight in the process of dry rolling wheat from bulk, as, for instance, in moving it from the rail car in bulk direct to the roller and then sacked? Any general information will be very much appreciated.—S. N. Co.

The American Ass'n of Cereal Chemists at its recent annual meeting at Minneapolis elected as pres. Dr. Oscar Skovholt of New York, N. Y. During the three and one-half days 54 technical papers were presented to the largest recorded attendance of 457.



Daily Closing Prices

The daily closing prices for wheat, rye, oats, and barley for September delivery at the leading markets in cents per bushel, have been as follows:

	Option		May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27	May 29	Wheat												
	High	Low						May 31	June 1	June 2	June 3	June 5	June 6	June 7	June 8	June 9	June 10	June 12	June 13	
Chicago	171%	155¾	159½	160¼	160	160¾	159%	161½	162½	160½	159½	158¾	160¾	158	157½	157¾	156½	155½	157½	
Minneapolis	163%	150¾	155½	155¾	155¾	155¾	155%	156½	158	156½	155½	154¾	156¼	153½	153½	153½	152½	151¾	152¾	
Kansas City	171%	148¾	159½	153½	153	153½	152%	154½	155½	154	152½	152½	153½	151¾	151	151½	150	149¾	151	
Duluth, durum	162¾	154	158¾	158¾	158%	158½	158	159	160	158½	157	156¾	156½	156¾	156¼	156	154¾	.....	154
Milwaukee	171%	155¾	159½	160¼	160	160½	159%	161½	162½	160½	159½	159	160½	158¾	157½	158	156¾	156½	.....
Chicago	134	104	109¼	110½	111½	111½	110¼	111½	112¼	109½	107½	107½	109¼	106¾	105½	105¼	105¾	105¾	108	
Minneapolis	125½	102½	105½	106¾	108¾	109¾	107¾	109¾	109¾	107	105	105½	107½	104½	103½	103¾	103¾	103¾	106¾	
Winnipeg, October	130%	104¼	.....	109½	111¾	112¾	111¾	113¾	112¼	108¾	106½	105½	108¾	106¾	105¼	105¼	105¾	105¾	108¾
Chicago	78½	68	71½	72¾	72	71¾	71½	72¾	72¾	71¾	70¼	70	70¾	69¾	69	69¾	68¾	68½	69¾	
Chicago	125¼	108¾	113½	113¼	113¾	112¾	112	112¼	113¾	112¾	112½	111¼	111¾	110¾	110½	110¾	109¼	108¾	110¼	

Modern Elevator at Gluek, Minn.

Gluek, Minnesota, was without transportation facilities until the Minnesota Western Railroad extended its lines to Gluek, which is 115 miles west of Minneapolis in Chippewa County. It is surrounded by a splendid farming community so serves its farmers with coal and feed as well as a market place for their products.

The Cargill Elevator Co. awarded the contract long ago to the T. E. Ibberson Co. for the erection of a country elevator to be built where grain would be received from the farmers. This elevator is fitted with two legs, one for receiving, one for shipping, and a 30 ton truck scale was provided in the driveway.

Adjacent to this elevator, as a temporary war measure, Cargill Inc., erected a 500,000 bus. single bin grain storage unit. This is a novel type of construction, inasmuch as the ground was leveled off, rolled down and floors provided as would be used on any ordinary highway, and made waterproof. Telegraph poles were used for the superstructure and this was covered with 2" sheathing. Belt conveyors carry the grain to and from the elevator which serve this annex.

Electric power for all of the equipment throughout this plant is furnished by motors. The Cargill, Inc., built a power house and fitted this with Diesel engines which deliver this power to a board for service to the various motors. Facilities were provided for loading directly out of the annex into cars. At this station, which in every sense of the word is serving the trade as any country unit would serve its trade, Cargill, Inc., has provided warehouses for storage and facilities for handling feeds which they manufacture at their other plants. Large coal sheds are provided for handling coal. A residence was provided for the use of the manager. Priority assistance from the War Production Board was granted for this project.

Strong Scott air dumps were used, Fairbanks Morse truck scales, C. C. elevator buckets, Fairbanks Morse motors, in addition to hopper scales for weighing the grain were provided.

The modern type elevator is a permanent structure. It has a slab foundation, steel boot tanks were provided, Dodge bearings were used throughout, and a full basement. The composition roofs and wood siding are painted white. An office building is provided attached to the driveway fitted with modern furniture, and presents a very neat appearance. The T. E. Ibberson Co. designed and built the plant.

For illustration see outside front cover page.

Dust Explosion That Failed to Propagate

The small damage that resulted from the dust explosion in the big Great Northern Elevator S at Superior, Wis., may have been due to the absence of the necessary dust, or that it was too damp to rise.

The building is of the old-style wooden crib construction, but the cupola had metal siding, and the blast originated in steel bins in the work house containing screenings and vented itself by blowing a hole 40x50 ft. in the wall of the cupola above the bin floor.

The explosion occurred at 1:52 p.m., Friday, May 19, and started a fire that smoldered next morning. Two of the elevator legs and some machinery were damaged, making a total loss of about \$50,000.

The workmen made their escape without injury. The steamer Caulkins, loading grain, got away safely.

The plant is operated by the Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., and with annexes has a total capacity of 8,000,000 bus.

This is the third dust explosion in 1944, a minor explosion having occurred near Pendle-

ton, Ore., Jan. 14 in the elevator of S. R. Thompson, and a major explosion in the elevator of the Commander-Larabee Co. at Kansas City, Mo., killing four men and doing heavy damage Feb. 18.

Kansas Wheat Crop 150,000,000

Kansas City, Mo., June 1.—It is a certainty that most favorable weather has prevailed over the state during the month of May, and the prospect for a good crop has improved. Rains were timely, and in some spots probably too heavy, but little damage so far has resulted from lodging. It is a fact, however, that much wheat in the most favorable sections has a very heavy growth with a thick stand, and straw is going to be very heavy and long. Over a period of time records will show that our best yields have not occurred on this type of plant. It is generally accepted now that harvest will be from ten days to two weeks behind the past several years, so we still call attention to the possibilities of severe heat, or hot winds which could easily exact a toll from the present outlook, as the plant still remains very tender.

Our reports indicate that practically all of the spring germinated wheat will be abandoned, and a very large percentage has already been plowed up for other crops or will be summer fallowed, though a few fields in some localities will be left. Whether these fields will be harvested or not is still a question, but even so, the yield will be light and the grain weedy. Nevertheless, we estimate the acreage for harvest as we did in our last report. Should we go right through to harvest with the ideal conditions we are now having, the average yield on the acres remaining could be high and Kansas could produce a crop that would be above our present figures. It has happened, but we are considering only normal weather, which now means no extremely hot weather. Moisture is sufficient to carry to harvest, except that a shower or two at filling time might be beneficial.

With ideal conditions having prevailed, and since the nearer we approach harvest the more certain we are of the outcome, we must at this date raise our estimate. It now appears to us that Kansas will produce 150,700,000 bushels in 1944.—H. L. Robinson.

Millers Acquitted of Conspiracy

Altho the jury found the 27 defendants guilty Justice Philip L. Sullivan of the United States District Court June 14 directed a verdict of not guilty.

A special assistant attorney general had presented a complete statement of the facts during the trial at Chicago involving the Millers National Federation and all the leading flour milling companies, proving to the satisfaction of the jury that the millers had conspired to fix the price of package flour.

What the millers actually did was to publish for the information of the trade what were the correct and fair differentials to be established for packages of different sizes, as compared with the price of the barrel. The price per barrel nor the price per package were not fixed.

Justice Sullivan said: "My conscience would not permit me to convict the defendants because they have not been proven guilty beyond all reasonable doubt. As the case progressed I became convinced I should have directed a verdict at the end of the government's case."

In other words, from a legal standpoint the government's case was so weak a defense was unnecessary.

Duty on Screenings

W. R. Johnson, commissioner of customs, writes that, "Screenings or scalplings are not provided for by name in Public Law 211, as amended by Public Law 272, approved March 29, 1944, and they are not derivatives or products of the cultivated grains and seeds from which they are separated by a screening process. If, however, screenings or scalplings are in chief value of wheat, oats, barley, rye, cottonseed, flax, corn, or hay, and/or derivatives thereof, they may be admitted free of duty under the provisions of Public Law 211 for products in chief value of the named grains or seeds, or derivatives thereof, if entered for consumption or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption within the effective period of Public Law 211, as amended, and provided the importer complies with the pertinent regulations. If screenings do not meet that specification, they are not entitled to free entry under the statute mentioned."



Effects of Dust Explosion in Great Northern Elevator S, Superior, Wis.

Ohio Grain & Feed Dealers Discuss Many Problems

The Grand Dad of all associations of country grain shippers celebrated its 65th birthday June 7-8 at Columbus, O., with one of the most animated discussions of pressing trade programs ever presented.

Altho registration was free only 483 got a badge.

Geo. North of Groveport delivered the invocation.

PRES. ELTON KILE of Kileville in the chair, congratulated the members on their hearty cooperation with the established authorities in helping to carry on the work of winning victory in the world's greatest struggle for the rights of the individual.

Price control has met with your support altho all have not recognized the purpose and necessity of conforming with the ceiling prices and the orders of the OPA and the other government bureaus. Some have failed to comprehend the limitations of the orders and have unintentionally committed vital infractions that have increased the difficulty of warding off inflation.

We must give our earnest thought and support to the government in winning the war.

Our post-war problems are sure to be more confusing, more difficult than any we have yet encountered.

W. W. Cummings, Columbus, presented the annual report of sec'y-treas. as follows:

Secretary Cummings' Report

During the past year the Secretary's office has tried to keep the members fully informed on all matters pertaining to the industry, having mailed twenty-one bulletins to the members, three special letters to non-members, together with printed and mimeograph copies of Government orders, regulations, etc., which included OPA Ceilings on wheat, corn, oats and barley, and CCC price and regulations on Soybeans. The OPA Mark-Up Chart on all Feeds was also mailed.

We have secured 54 new members since our last annual meeting and lost eight. Three firms were dropped for non-payment of dues; two firms discontinued business; one mill burned and two firms changed hands. We made a net gain of forty-six members, bringing the membership to the largest number it has ever been.

Our Honor Roll is composed of the following: G. E. O'Brien and C. R. Phelps, each obtaining six members; Elton Kile, H. W. Applegate, P. A. Lashley, W. D. Thompson, Everett Early, and R. H. Brundige each obtained two; and the following men each obtained one new member: Ross Castle, R. F. McAlister, S. L. Warner, H. E. Frederick, L. G. Bradstock, A. L. Garman, W. B. Short, and Art Hochstetler.

YOUR OFFICERS have spent considerable time during the past year attending hearings, conferences, etc. President Kile has been to Washington three times on soybean regulations and on May 27th he attended a meeting called by the OPA, in Washington, to discuss handling charges for retailers and also for firms in Class B. He also attended a meeting in Washington on April 24th with the CCC, they having granted a special hearing to Indiana and Ohio officials to listen to our plea for larger margins in handling soybeans by the smaller dealers. We have not been informed of their final decision in the matter but still have hopes.

Your President and Secretary attended the Grain & Feed Dealers National Ass'n's annual meeting in St. Louis, Mo., in September, the Indiana Grain & Feed Dealers' annual meeting in Indianapolis in January, a meeting with the Country Grain Elevator committee of the National Association in Chicago on March 23rd, and a conference with the CCC in Chicago on March 24th to discuss new soybean regulations.

A special meeting of our Officers and Directors was held in Columbus on Jan. 28th. Twelve members of the Governing Board were present and a great deal of good was accomplished. The total expense for traveling on all of these trips was \$508.09. About \$200.00 less than the same period a year ago.

Seven group meetings were held since last June. All well attended and very instructive. These meetings were quite necessary to inform the members of the various regulations, orders, etc. More of these group meetings should be held, and we will work with you in arranging a meeting in your territory if you think it is advisable.

Death has visited our ranks again this year.

Dom J. Schuh, Secretary of the Board of Trade, Cincinnati, O.; **Robert C. Crawford**, Vice-President, Oyster Shell Products Corp., St. Louis, Mo.; **Chas. C. Shafer**, Manager of the McClure Elevator, McClure, O.; **W. Frank Heffner**, Heffner Grain Co., Circleville, O.; **H. W. Updike**, H. W. Updike & Son, Fredericktown, O., and **L. M. Wadsworth**, President, Wadsworth Feed Co., Warren, O.

In closing I wish to thank the officers and directors for their very able support the past year and especially President Kile and Vice-President Frederick for giving so much of their time in attending the group meetings and conferences.

P. A. LASHLEY, Marion, reviewed the organization and work of the Soft Winter Wheat Production Com'te. He expressed the thanks of Com'te for the cooperation received from the many organizations interested in the welfare of the wheat growers.

CHAS. LATSCAW, Sec'y of the Ohio Farmers Elevator Ass'n and a member of the Com'te supplemented the report of the com'te.

PRES. KILE appointed the following com'ites:

Nominations: **John H. Motz**, Brice; **R. H. Brundige**, Kingston; **Sam L. Rice**, Metamora.

Resolutions: **P. A. Lashley**, Marion; **H. E. Fredericks**, Marysville; **A. L. Garman**, Delphos; **C. A. Hiegel**, Leipsic; **Ray Dewey**, Blanchester.

Auditing: **B. R. Hoaglin**, Geo. North, A. R. Eier.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

The second session was opened with the auditorium crowded.

WALTER C. BERGER, Chief of the Feed & Livestock Branch of the Food Administration delivered much of the splendid address he presented before the annual meeting of the American Feed Manufacturers Ass'n, which is quoted elsewhere in this number.

I have been erroneously credited with saying, the government will distribute no more feed wheat after July 1. We must supply humans with a fair percentage of wheat, then the animals will receive every consideration. Our first problem is the fair allocation of feeds until October when new crop corn will come on the market.

We must adjust our feed supply so as to distribute it in an orderly manner.

RAY B. BOWDEN, Executive Vice Pres. of the Grain & Feed Dealers National Ass'n gave a rapid review of conditions existing in Washington that held the close attention of his audience. He said, your government is importing wheat and oats from Canada and corn and barley from the Argentine.

The middleman is an essential aid in the distribution of the farmers' crops which have little value until moved to market.

We have no controversy with cooperatives. Many of them are members of our Ass'n.

Their exemption from federal income taxes gives them an unfair advantage, which helps to get business away from their competitors.

Man tends to multiply faster than his ability to produce food needed to keep him alive. For the last 20 years the U. S. A. has gradually reduced the production of the food needed to sustain its population, so if we are to feed the world we must economize and tighten our belts.

PRES. KILE: The spread between the cost of producing the raw material and the cost of the finished product must include labor, power, interest, and wear. Taxes must be paid to the government to defray the cost of the war.

FRED J. CLUTTEN, Sec'y of the Chicago Board of Trade presented a studied analysis of markets and market factors which will be published in a later number.

LORING SCHULER, Gen. Mgr. of the National Tax Equality Ass'n discussed Competitive Inequality.

Thursday Morning Session

The third session was called to order by 1st Vice-Pres. **H. E. Frederick**, Marysville, who introduced **Austin W. Carpenter**, Executive Director of the Eastern Federation of Feed Merchants, who told a touching story on counting cows, and said as our feed scarcity developed we attempted to determine the number of livestock and their feed needs.

The Empire State contains about one-tenth of the population of the U.S.A. and the people are large consumers of milk, meat and eggs, so our farmers have a nearby market for all they can produce, and their most pressing problem was to get nourishing feed for our herds and flocks. We got a large volume of feed from Canada and the corn crop of the middle West which refused to dry out was of great help in our emergency.

In the Northeast the feed situation is most alarming. Progressively our feed scarcity is becoming more desperate each month. Canada's large surplus has shrunk and those controlling the movement of grains are developing a deep interest in the food supply of the British Isles.

Our present supply of feeds will not last more than five weeks and I wonder what the farmers of the Northeast will do for feed unless they reduce their herds and flocks.

Our distillers are throwing down stream at least 400,000,000 tons of valuable proteins every year because they do not have facilities for dehydrating their offal.

The OPA has increased the ceiling price of corn twice, but left the ceiling on hogs unchanged. The relation of the two commodities has not been changed. They are interdependent and always will be. The OPA officials seem to have overlooked the need of corn to make pork.

MARK THORNBURG, Sec'y of the Western Grain & Feed Ass'n, Des Moines, Ia., taking the place of **F. Hugh Kelley**, said: The weather has been against all farm activities,



Left to right: **Elton Kile**, Kileville, retiring pres.; **H. E. Frederick**, Marysville, pres.-elect; **W. W. Cummings**, Columbus, sec'y-treas.

but with normal conditions Iowa farmers would have already planted 75 to 80 per cent of their corn acreage, and mechanized equipment, which they are using day and night, will enable them to plant a large acreage. The use of hybrid seed corn will help to increase the yield and the crop.

The threat of the CCC to demand a contract for corn instead of the farmers' verbal promise to sell does not meet with cordial reception.

Iowa's herd of steers is large and unfavorable conditions may result in considerable culling.

More of Secretary Thornburg's optimistic view of the corn prospects will be found elsewhere in this number.

DR. R. M. BETHKE of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station said: We cannot afford to consider our feed problem from a sectional area; we must not overlook the needs of the 48 states. We generally look upon the corn belt as including Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota. These states are large producers as well as consumers of feeds.

Feeding during the last three years has aggregated about one and one-half years' crop, so our accumulated surplus has been wiped out and we will soon be confronted with a real scarcity. The hog is the hungry hog when it comes to the consumption of our supply of feeds. All herds and flocks merit careful culling. The most critical time in our feed supply will come in the next 60 to 90 days.

P. A. LASHLEY of the Resolutions Com'tee reported the following, which were adopted:

Will Elect Directors for Two Years

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends that the tenure of the membership of the Board of Directors should be more equitably selected. Therefore, be it resolved that the by-laws of the Association be amended, to provide for the election of Directors as follows:

5 Directors be elected for a term of two years, 4 Directors be elected for a term of one year, thereafter Directors be elected for a term of two years.

Inequality of Tax on Business

WHEREAS, the Committee recognizes the inequality of certain tax on business. Therefore, be it resolved that the Ohio Grain, Mill and Feed Dealers Association support the proposal that Co-Operatives, in competition with private business, be placed under the same Federal tax obligations as private firms; that Federal agencies should not, in their patronage, discriminate between Co-Operatives and private firms; that this Association appoint a committee to work with and foster the principles of the National Tax Equality Ass'n of Chicago.

The Committee recognizes the help and value of the work of The Mill Mutuals and their associates in handling of the registration, and the hospitality of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. Therefore, be it

Resolved that these organizations have the unanimous thanks of this Association.

B. R. HOAGLIN of the Auditing Com'tee reported that the Treasurer's report checked out correctly. The Ass'n now has war bonds and cash in bank aggregating \$3,200.

R. H. BRUNDAGE of the Nominating Com'tee reported H. F. Frederick, Marysville; 1st V. Pres. L. A. Gilliland, Van Wert; 2nd V. Pres. C. R. Phelps, Conneaut; Sec'y-Treas. W. W. Cummings, Columbus.

Directors for one year: L. G. Bradstock, Wellington; F. E. Watkins, Cleveland; H. W. Applegate, Toledo; Everett Early, Waynesville.

Directors for two years: Chairman Elton Kile, Kileville; P. A. Lashley, Marion; W. D. Thompson, Cambridge; H. W. Heffner, Circleville, and Hugh Brubaker, New Carlisle.

PRESIDENT FREDERICK reluctantly adjourned the interesting meeting and the rush was for the first train out.

In Attendance

CINCINNATI sent R. B. Alsbaugh, John Lodwick, W. B. Osgood, Ed Rietman, R. E. Rite.

INDIANA—Orville Badertscher, Bluffton; H. C. Bragdon, Terre Haute; E. T. Dickey, Fort Wayne; Willard E. Hart, Fort Wayne; W. A. Seaman, Fort Wayne.

WEST VIRGINIA—A. H. Billeter, Sistersville.

PITTSBURGH; PA.—E. H. Flinchbaugh and Fred Haller.

INDIANAPOLIS—Pete Turner, Frank Arnold, Ralph W. Eberhart, M. D. Knauff, R. Turner.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—G. N. Durant, H. H. Richardson.

CLEVELAND, O.—Fred E. Watkins.

TOLEDO was represented by H. W. Applegate, Glenn Ash, Paul Atkinson, P. M. Barnes, M. H. Faulring, W. D. Hughes, Raoul Levy, D. L. Norby, L. U. Schuster, E. A. Wiechel.

THE REGISTRATION was handled most efficiently by the representatives of the mill mutuals, who supplied the identification badges. Manager J. W. Huntington was assisted by R. S. Castle, W. J. Bentz and G. N. Arnold.

ASSOCIATION WORKERS included Ray B. Bowden, Executive V.-Pres. of the Grain & Feed Dealers Natl. Ass'n; Austin W. Carpenter, Executive Director of the Eastern Federation of Feed Merchants; Fredk. Sale, Sec'y of the Indiana Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n, and Mark Thornburg, Sec'y of the Western Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n.

THE EXHIBITS were displayed in a series of connected rooms through which all visitors passed on their way to the convention hall, and Sidney Grain Machinery Co. had a good display in the first room with Carl Berger and W. B. Short in charge. The Seed Buro Equipment Co. had an interesting exhibit of a full line of its elevator supplies in charge of R. P. Reid. Other exhibitors were Kasco Mills, Inc., O'Brien Milling Co., Ralston-Purina Co., Scott Mills, Inc., A. E. Staley Mfg. Co., The Urbana Mills Co., Bearing & Transmission Co., Dawe Products Co., Division Plant Industry, Drackett Products Co., The Early & Daniel Co., J. W. Eshelman & Sons, The Glidden Co.

Ohio Dealers in Attendance

Bud Abbott, Dayton; E. L. Alton, St. Paris; Calvin Amstutz, Elmira; H. J. Amstutz, Smithville; Coit Anderson, Washington Court House; J. M. Armacost, Campbelltown; C. C. Armstrong, Pataskala; O. B. Armstrong, Osborn.

C. O. Bibler, Vanlue; Forest Birt, Urbana; George B. Bochard, Williamsport; Avis Bockstahler, London; E. E. Borror, Ashville; T. R. Bostater, Edon.

L. G. Bradstock, Wellington; Lewis F. Branstool, Utica; C. H. Briggs, Waldo; Hugh Brubaker, New Carlisle; Joe Brubaker, New Carlisle; R. H. Brundige, Kingston.

Ivan Calame, Millersburg; F. S. Callihan, Helena; R. C. Calvelage, Delphos; Wm. D. Carle, Spencer; H. E. Carpenter, Lexington H. E. Casgrain, Youngstown; W. H. Clay, Quincy; James A. Cleaver, Wilmington; H. R. Clouse, Milford Center; A. L. Coddington, Conover; P. J. Cole, Greenville; A. V. Couch, Circleville; Blaine Courtright, Fremont; C. O. Creeger, Newark; R. E. Crone, Osborne; J. C. Custenborder, Sidney.

Earl Davidson, Urbana; Hal Dean, Circleville; Wayne S. Dilts, Caledonia; R. B. Dewey, Blanchester; E. L. Diller, Bluffton; A. B. McDonald, Washington C. H.; J. D. Douglas, Painesville; George S. Dresbach, Ashville; John H. Dunlap, Jr., Williamsport; John H. Dunlap, Williamsport.

B. F. Eidson, Beatty; Everett Early, Waynesville; Robert Lee Early, Cincinnati; Alfred P. Eier, Nevada; William H. Egbert, Kettlersville; E. W. Ellis, Urbana.

C. D. Forney, Dayton; N. E. Fox, Lakeview; L. A. Francis, Dayton; M. C. Frank, Seville; R. K. Fravel, Plain City.

A. L. Garman, Delphos; Hugh Garvin, Hamilton; Lee H. Gillespie, Arlington; L. A. Gilliland, Van Wert; D. C. Glasgo, Jeromesville; C. W. Graul, Pleasant Corners; Otto H. Greene, Mt. Sterling; W. G. Guscott, Olmsted Falls.

O. P. Hall, Greenville; Arthur Hambleton, Malta; V. B. Hamilton, Greenfield; Leonard

Hardin, Englewood; C. T. Hartman, Worthington; Asa C. Harvey, Edison; H. L. Hockman, Canal Winchester; W. H. Hockman, Canal Winchester; H. H. Keeman, Wooster; Harry W. Heffner, Circleville; Al Heiby, Greenville; E. H. Heldman, Jenera; Bob Hendrick, Fostoria; Wm. H. Herrnstein, Chillicothe; Robert M. Hess, Massillon; Edgar M. Heaber, Lykens; C. A. Hiegel, Leipsic; F. E. Hiegel, Delphos; Lee Higgins, Lebanon; Ivan Hill, Derby; Burton R. Hoaglin, Scott; Ottie E. Hockman, Madison Mills; Art Hochstetler, Findlay; Sam Hollett, Fostoria; Ed Hugel, Alliance; Carl Hunsinger, Williamsport; H. E. Iams, Dayton.

Elton Kile, Kileville; H. H. Kelman, Wooster; H. C. Kirchner, Delaware; M. F. Kibler, Circleville; Robert W. Keynes, Logan; Cy J. Kahle, Kalida; Raymond Kaiser, Van Wert.

P. A. Lashley, Marion; Max Latham, Plain City; Ray Latham, Unionville Center; Walter Latham, Hayden; E. W. Laubis, Heppburn; John A. Lee, West Liberty; C. H. Littick, Zanesville; Thomas Longbons, Painesville; E. W. Loy, Marion; W. O. Loy, Kettlersville.

R. E. McCormack, Sedalia; Ray McCord, Farmer City; Harry Martin, Millersburg; F. J. Maurer, Fostoria; R. C. Maurer, Botkins; C. S. Mills, Gettysburg; John H. Moore, Kirkersville; H. L. Motz, Brice; J. H. Motz, Brice; Lois Myers, Lockbourne; T. A. Myers, Convey; W. M. Myers, Lockbourne.

A. W. Noah, Lexington; G. M. North, Groveport; C. D. Oakleaf, Republic; G. E. O'Brien, Greenville.

Frank A. Parman, Oak Harbor; K. E. Parmer, Marengo; Carl R. Phelps, Conneaut; R. W. Phipps, Carroll; P. G. Plank, Creston; Charles Plotner, West Mansfield; C. M. Poorman, Cardington; Marvin E. Putterbaugh, Tipp City; Clarence Racheter, McCutchenville; Tom Reed, Centerburg; S. L. Rice, Metamora; Roy O. Roeth, Houston James A. Rudy, Covington; Bliss Russell, Hilliards.

Harry Schiefer, Bucyrus; B. E. Schirm, Canal Winchester; George W. Schaffer, Lynchburg; R. K. Shaw, London; Burl Skeen, Utica; H. K. Smith, Arcanum; Frank D. Snyder, Marengo; F. M. Snyder, Chillicothe; T. W. Smith, Arlington; Jesse A. Stemen, Convey; O. E. Stein, Bellville; Robert L. Stevenson, Williamsport; Chalmer Stoltz, Petersburg; Wm. H. Stottlemeyer, Anna; C. R. Swartz, New Hampshire; Louis Taiclet, Marion; Dale K. Teaford, Greenville; U. O. Thompson, Cambridge; R. E. Troup, Pleasantville; Myles W. Turner, Lancaster; W. W. Tyler, Wooster; T. M. Valentine, Tiffin; C. K. Van Buskirk, Hillsboro; W. C. Ulmer, Marion; M. L. Underwood, Dover W. A. Wagner, Mt. Gilead; S. L. Warner, Circleville; Fred E. Watkins, Cleveland; G. O. Weimer, Rosewood; B. A. Weimer, Rosewood; Ernest Weisheimer, South Charleston; Ralph S. Wibright, Mechanicsburg; Thomas F. Wood, London; H. R. Wooley, Pickerington; Frank H. Wurst, Ottoville; Don Zerkle, Urbana; W. C. Zuercher, Pandora.

Government Crop Report

Washington, D. C., June 9.—The U.S.D.A. estimated the indicated yield of winter wheat June 1 at 714,148,000 bus., against 529,606,000 in 1943.

Rye indicates 31,608,000, against 30,781,000 bus.

All spring wheat 320,637,000, against 306,692,000 bus.

Oats 1,193,410,000, against 1,143,867,000 bus.

Barley 299,533,000, against 322,187,000 bus.

The condition of spring wheat is 87 per cent, against 85 per cent a year ago.

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Nebraska Dealers Hold Big Convention

Heavy rains did not deter grain dealers from swelling the attendance at the 16th annual convention of the Nebraska Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n to a record-breaking total of over 175 registered.

RAY WATSON, pres., called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. Thursday, June 8, in the Paxton Hotel, at Omaha, Neb., and said:

Pres. Watson's Annual Address

The few remarks I have to make will be confined chiefly to bringing out the importance of maintaining a strong and active state association. You gentlemen have shown by your response and co-operation that you realize the necessity of acting in unity thru this organization to secure the recognition that is required to permit us to operate and profit to some extent by our operations.

We as individuals realize that in this time of stress it is no doubt necessary that we be regulated to some extent in our operations and we as American citizens shall play our part by accepting these regulations as a part of the emergency even tho we know and feel that they are often ill advised and inequitable.

Thru our state organization and our membership in the Grain & Feed Dealers National Ass'n we have been ably represented at meetings where many of the regulations have originated and it has been thru this representation that the orders and rules imposed upon us have been no worse than they are. We resent many of these restrictions yet if we stop and analyze the situation we will realize that we have not suffered too much and have been considered as a part of the necessary machinery of production and distribution.

TRANSITION FROM WAR TO PEACE.

—The period of transition from war to peace will be a critical time and it will be very important to have a well organized and strong association to represent us in seeing that war time controls are not extended, and right now is the time to prepare for the action that will be necessary to see that this is not done.

ASS'N HAS GROWN.—During the past three years under the able guidance of our Sec. Phil Runion we have seen our association grow from a mere handful of members to an organization of which we can be proud and the program that Phil has in mind for the future will assure us of the recognition to which we as an industry are entitled. In order that this program shall be carried out with the maximum of success it will be necessary that all of our present membership co-operate in securing new members and aiding in any way we shall be called upon by our secretary. To Phil and his able assistant Walt Keitges go the credit for the progress we have made to date and the success that we attain in the future will depend upon the amount of co-operation we give them in carrying out the program they outline for us.

PHIL RUNION, sec'y-treas., of Lincoln, presented his annual report, as follows:

Secretary Runion's Report

Three years ago the affairs of this Association were at a low ebb. Today thru the co-operation of the dealers and our directors we have built the Nebraska Grain and Feed Dealers Ass'n up to the largest membership since its organization.

ORGANIZED EFFORT REQUIRED.—This is an era of associations, no matter whether it is labor or industry, it is a recognized fact that to accomplish what is necessary to be done and to protect one's interests, collective action is essential, individually little can be done. The need for associations is more evident than ever before, and the period ahead of us will find the various trades relying more and more on their associations.

While there are many angles to the grain and feed industry and there are problems affecting

and confronting the grain dealer which may not appear to be of importance to the feed dealer and vice versa, there are basic problems which directly affect both, and today the one basic problem is what to do and how to do it in order to preserve your business. Helping the dealer to preserve his business is the prime aim of the Association.

We have an efficient national association in Washington representing the grain and feed trade, aided by associations such as ours, this association is doing an excellent job. Too many dealers do not recognize this fact. I firmly believe if every feed and grain dealer in Nebraska knew what these associations were actually doing in behalf of his interests all would be association members and would be enthusiastic members.

Dealers of Nebraska are rapidly realizing that thru union lies strength, this is shown in the steadily increasing membership.

The demands made on the association have greatly increased during this emergency. The various governmental agencies have relied on our associations for the collecting of data and statistics, as well as counsel and advice in the preparing of the many regulations under which the industry operates. They have also relied on the association to explain and disseminate these orders to the members of the trade. While many of these orders are complicated and hard to interpret, yet they could have been much worse had it not been for the efforts of the Associations and for that group of dealers who have so tirelessly and unselfishly given so freely of their time and experience in the preparation of these regulations.

PLANNING GREATER SERVICE.—We are constantly trying to improve the services of this association and to increase its value to our members. This subject was given much consideration by your board of directors in their annual meeting. It is the plan of your board of directors to make an important addition to our staff. They propose to employ an experienced grain and feed man in the capacity of fieldman, the object being to render a more direct service to our members. From personal experience we have found that in no other way can a member be better served than thru personal calls at his place of business. It affords him an opportunity to ask questions and to secure direct information. By the employing of a fieldman we will be able to give you a more prompt and efficient bulletin service.

To carry out this plan will require a larger membership, it will be necessary for more dealers to support the association. To you dealers who are members it is not necessary to explain the advantages of having a strong, well-functioning association. To put over the plan just mentioned will require your continued support and you should urge your neighboring dealers to also become members. You will be helping yourself in doing so.

I firmly believe a year hence we will have one of the largest trade associations in Nebraska and an association that will be of much value and a credit to the industry.

PRES. WATSON appointed the following committees:

NOMINATIONS: Bert H. Achenbach, Julesburg, Colo.; Herman Heyne, Pender, Neb., and E. S. Young of Lyman.

RESOLUTIONS: W. A. Swanson, Wayne; John E. Turner, Alvo, and Willard W. Rogers, Ainsworth.

CHRIS. MILLER, sales manager of Sargent & Co., Des Moines, Ia., told some appreciated stories in prefacing his address on "The Feed Industry," which is published elsewhere in this number.

J. C. SWINBANK, Lincoln, sec'y of the Nebraska Crop Improvement Ass'n, extended a cordial welcome to all to attend the field day Wednesday, June 28, specially arranged by the

Grain Improvement Ass'n and the Nebraska College of Agriculture. Those attending will hear about the new Pawnee wheat that promises to revolutionize wheat growing in Nebraska, and of a new rust resistant oat variety.

Later we will have a series of field meetings where the wheat will be graded.

CLIFF CROOKS, of the Omaha O.P.A. office, explained the regulations which have been published from time to time. He said:

Our biggest problem is compliance. If the grower in your neighborhood does not sell you corn unless you slip him an extra dime it is because truckers are taking it.

In one area where the elevator was not getting corn, trucks were hauling corn every night, and the feeder could not buy corn from the farmer.

They are letting the dollar be bigger than their patriotism.

Ground corn is under regulation 401, which is the most unsatisfactory ever written.

On ground corn the mark-up over corn is cost of sacks plus \$3.02 per ton, finer ground \$3.50 and very fine \$4.52.

As to whether the corn is fine or coarse ground you will have to let your conscience be your guide.

GRAIN PRODUCTS EXEMPTED.—Mr. Crooks had just received from Washington Rev. SR1, Amendment 58, exempting numerous grain products from the General Maximum Price Regulation, in an attempt to get relief from a very bad situation confronting processors having to pay high prices for whole grains. The exemption, issued June 9, 1944, is made retroactive to May 22, 1942.

Rolled hulls oats (table or feeding), hulls oats, groats, cereal oats, ground oats, oat middlings are exempted.

Ground rye, malted rye, rye grits, rye middlings and unground by-products of production of rye grits are exempted.

Barley: pearled, ground pearled, hulls, malted, ground, middlings.

Soybean products: ground, ground grits, ground or unground by-products of soybean grits.

Buckwheat: ground, groats, grits, middlings.

Grain sorghums: grits, ground sorghum, by-products of grits.

Cottonseed: ground, and grits.

Peanuts: ground, and grits.

There is no ceiling price on oats or barley when pulverized.

The Banquet

The Omaha Grain Exchange provided excellent entertainment at the banquet Thursday evening.

Double rows of tables were arranged along two sides of the ballroom leaving a floor space for diners who cared to dance. After the dinner the dance orchestra continued to furnish music.



Ray Watson, North Bend, Neb., Re-elected President

Three lady vocalists, a lady soloist, a dance team, a negro who was clever on his feet and an exotic dancer were among the entertainers.

This program was followed by a record of a radio broadcast in which was honored J. L. Welsh, pres. of the Grain and Feed Dealers National Ass'n.

Nearly 200 guests enjoyed the dinner.

Friday Afternoon Session

DR. LEO CHRISTENSEN, of the University of Nebraska, spoke on "Post War Chemistry," stating that the production of industrial alcohol had expanded from 100,000,000 gallons to 600,000,000 gallons a year. One-half of the alcohol is used to make smokeless powder.

Synthetic rubber is being made at the rate of 650,000 tons a year, and production is expected to reach 900,000 tons by the end of the year. Three-fourths is made from industrial alcohol.

Grain supplies about 90 per cent of our industrial alcohol production today.

Omaha, Kansas City and Muscatine, Ia., now are producing industrial alcohol in large plants. The Omaha one is the second largest in the world, using 20,000 bus. of grain per day, converted into 50,000 gallons of alcohol and 200 tons of distillers dried grains.

Vegetable oils before the war were bought abroad to the extent of two-thirds of our requirements. In Nebraska we have one of the best new sources of drying oil, safflower, that grows well west of Ogallala. It fully equals linseed oil and outyields flax and soybeans. This year we had enough seed for 250 acres.

Research is going forward as never before. We must keep our national income at present level in order to liquidate our national debt.

Dr. Christensen's technical remarks will be published later.

FRANK THEIS of Kansas City, vice chairman of the National Grain Trade Council, delivered an address on "War Time Problems Confronting the Grain Industry," which is published elsewhere in this number.

R. A. KIRKPATRICK, of the Union Pacific Railroad, spoke on "War Time Transportation." He said:

The Union Pacific had 38,000 employees at the start of the war. We lost 12,000 men to the armed forces. We had to hire 39,000, have 65,000 now, and a few weeks ago had 71,000.

Mr. Kirkpatrick outlined the vast growth of war industries in Detroit, Akron, Philadelphia and other cities and on the Pacific Coast, and the fact that these munitions are of no value unless transported to the war fronts places a heavy burden on the railroads.

Pres. Watson read the reports of the nominations committee and the resolutions committee, both of which were adopted.

Officers elected were the same as last year: Pres., Ray Watson, North Bend; vice pres., Chas. Deaver, Colton; sec'y-treas., Phil Runion, Lincoln. Directors for three years: Geo. Neuwanger, Alliance; W. A. Swanson, Wayne; and Ray Ingalls, Kearney.

Resolutions Adopted

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Urges Compliance With O.P.A.

WHEREAS, this Nation is engaged in the worst conflict in its history, a war that must be won if this nation is to survive. To assure victory requires all out effort on the part of each and every one of us. We are required to operate under numerous regulations and rulings which are contrary to our normal way of living, but in order to win this war these regulations must be recognized as necessary; be it

RESOLVED, that this Ass'n and its members abide by and urge compliance with the regulations, in order that this war will end quickly in a complete and glorious victory.

Demand Prompt Settlement From C.C.C.

WHEREAS, dealers are encountering difficulty in securing satisfactory settlements with the C.C.C. on wheat shipments. Dealers are forced to wait for several months for settlements. Where sizeable amounts are involved these slow settlements require the dealer to borrow frequently in order to operate his business. Dealers object to unsatisfactory settlements of paid in transit adjustments, unsatisfactory outturn

weights and grades and delay in notifying the shipper of off grade wheat; be it

RESOLVED, that this Ass'n devote its efforts and influence towards improving this situation, that this unsatisfactory condition be called to the attention of the officials of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and an urgent request be made that C.C.C. transactions be improved and expedited.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the Omaha Grain Exchange for its cooperation in making the convention a success, and expressing appreciation of the splendid efforts made by the officers and staff of the Ass'n in building up the Ass'n to make it a real asset to the grain and feed industry of Nebraska.

Pres. Watson gave credit to Sec'y Runion and Assistant Sec'y W. A. Keitges for the great improvement in the work of the Ass'n.

Omaha Notes

The Omaha Chamber of Commerce supplied badges, and Miss Agnes Singles conducted the registration.

The Supply Trade

R. A. Freeman rep. the York Foundry. M. J. Rose of Kansas City rep. Borden's. Lester Oberg rep the Oberg Hatchery. Harry Wyssel of Fremont represented the Marr Industries.

Duke Higbee represented the Calcium Carbonate Co.

W. L. Burgess represented the Prater Pulverizer Co.

Swift & Co., of Des Moines, were rep. by A. F. Leathers and E. L. Dutcher.

Dorothy Hogg rep. the Killer Diller Corp. distributing Kil-Balm for rodents.

Rees Jensen and Stanley Bales represented the Corn Belt Supply Co.

Eriez Permanent Magnetic Separators were part of the exhibit of Edward J. Heck Co.

The J. B. Sedberry Co. was represented by W. H. Scribner.

Pronto Products Co. exhibited the Pronto Weevil Killer and Grain Conditioner, and was rep. by B. W. Boxmeyer of Kansas City.

Sargent & Co. were numerous represented by Chris Miller, Jim Greenfield and Carl Greenberg of Superior, Reed Merrick, Don R. Jorgensen, and Walter Ellett.

The Seedburo Equipment Co.'s complete line of seed and grain testing apparatus, including triers, scales and Steinlite Moisture Testers was shown by J. C. Kintz of Cedar Rapids, Ia., who gave away match books and lead pencils.

In Attendance

Louis Ebel rep. the Ebel Seed Co., Falls City, Neb.

H. M. Lehr of Lincoln represented the Grain Dealers National Mutual Fire Ins. Co.

From Colorado: Paul Reimer, Holyoke; B. H. Achenbach and G. W. Meyers, Julesburg.

From Iowa: Leo Williams, Sac City; C. D. Siegfried, Sioux City, rep. Cargill, Inc.; M. A. Cass, Jr., Lemars, rep. Plymouth Cereal Mills; Ray Collen, Malvern; Guy C. Grimes, Des Moines; K. D. Parkhill, Sioux City, rep. Russell-Miller Milling Co.

From Kansas City: Jack Martin and Jas. Vaughn of Kansas Elevator Co.; John Ronan rep. B. C. Christopher & Co.; Jas. Young; Tom Moe of Cargill, Inc.; Frank Farmer; Walt Farmer and C. O. Pollock; Burgess H. Brown of Norris Grain Co.; Frank Theis rep. Simonds-Shields-Theis Grain Co.; Max Bates of Bates Grain Co., and J. F. Leahy.

From St. Joseph, Mo.: J. L. Gregory of the Ken Clark Grain Co.; H. C. Van Houten, Dannen Mills.

Nebraska Dealers: R. P. Agnew, Shelby; Glen R. Allen, Valley; H. G. Arends, Manley; G. W. Ault, Cedar Creek; Walt Barkmeier, Exeter; F. G. Bienhoff, Crete; Gene Binning, Dix; Henry W. Bostrom, Crookston; Don Bridge, Norfolk; John Bruns, Ruby; Harry Carlson, Mead; J. Floyd Chance, Lincoln; D. A. Cramer, Chester; Orville Crocker, Creston; Chas. N. Deaver, Sidney.

Geo. P. Diedrichsen, Bancroft; Peter A. Diehl, Lincoln; John C. De Mers, Sunol; Frank J. Dolezal, Weston; Ray R. Eddy, Pawnee; Gerald Ebernberger, Schuyler; J. S. Fitzgerald, Palsade; Arthur Germer, Plymouth; Wm. Hanson, Fremont; Merle Heinsman, Friend; H. G. Heyne, Pender; F. H. Hockbarth, Mead; H. M. Holmquist, Oakland; A. V. Kazmark, Springfield; Ray Kimble, Bellwood; E. M. Kuhl, Ashland.

Alva Jensen, Cozad; N. A. Johnson, Sidney; Eber Landstrom, Axtell; B. W. Larson, Kimball; N. F. Lauritsen, Kennard; Henry Lubker, Nickerson; John Lubker, Fremont; Al Lundstrom, Osmond; Earl L. Manning, Burrress; Ralph McHenry, Winslow; R. W. Nosky, Nebraska City; C. N. Ogden, Lincoln; Roy Ostgren, Loomis; J. C. Page, Crete; Ed Paul and J. M. Paul, Lincoln; Rex Peters, Ruby; Harvey A. Peterson, Colon; C. O. Peterson, Nebraska City; Ross Price, Gothenburg; E. A. Pullen, Paxton.

G. W. Raines, Beatrice; Herb Rasmussen, Bradshaw; Arthur Riegel, Atkinson; Elmer

Rinehart, Wayne; Willard W. Rogers, Ainsworth; R. R. Savage, Elsie; C. G. Schweritz, Ogallala; Oris Schliert, Manley; Arland L. Schmitt, Battle Creek; Avery Scott, Morrill; Ervin Schrader, Gering; W. C. Swanson, Wayne; Wm. S. Swanson, Oakland; Frank E. Sullivan, Denton; Geo. A. Stites, Union.

R. L. Thompson, Gresham; A. G. Thorstenson, Stromsburg; Ray Traub, Oakland; A. C. Trautman, Hartington; John E. Turner, Alvo; R. E. Turner, Wymore; Andrew Von Rein, Ames; John Wagner and Kermit Wagner, Schuyler; R. M. Watson, North Bend; Allen W. Withers, Ulysses; Wm. W. Wooters, Benkelman; E. S. Young, Lyman, and C. W. Yount, Nebraska City.

Soft Wheat May Be Used, But Not Corn

Because the 1944 crop of soft red winter wheat is expected to be approximately 50 to 60 per cent greater than the 1943 crop of 133,000,000 bushels, the War Production Board has notified American distillers that a prohibition against the use of the soft red winter wheat in the production of industrial alcohol, which has been in effect since August, 1943, has been lifted, WPB reported June 6.

At the same time, WPB notified the distillers that the use of corn or grain sorghum in the manufacture of industrial alcohol is now prohibited because of the corn shortage.

The provision concerning soft red winter wheat, which is used chiefly for pastry and biscuits, is effective immediately, while the restriction on corn or grain sorghum becomes effective July 1. Both will remain in effect through the third quarter of 1944, WPB officials said.

Superintendents Safety Contest Winners

The much awaited figures from the Superintendents Society's Seventh Annual Safety Contest (1943) were just released June 1 by Clarence W. Turning, contest director, and Oscar W. Olsen, contest chairman. With a new record high of fifty-three participants, 4,123,483 man hours worked were reported as compared with 3,460,483 for 1942. The number of accidents was 108 in '43 against 89 in '42. The number of lost time days dropped to 6,562 in '43 from 17,356 in '42.

Greatest victory of all is found in the astounding drop in the severity rate, and here the contestants really shone. In the last contest this reached 5.01, but this more recent contest shows 1.59 severity, an admirable record.

Glidden Company's Soya Products Division in Chicago will be awarded top honors at the coming Chicago convention to be held at the Medinah Club on June 15-16-17 for its unsurpassed showing among the Group A entrees composed of those operating over 250,000 man hours a year. Their record was 806,876 man hours, 11 lost time accidents, 130 lost time days, 13.63 frequency rate, and 0.16 severity rate. Emil Buelens is production manager, Steve Halac is safety director, and Harry Hanson is elevator superintendent.

Ralston-Purina Co.'s Minneapolis plant wins top honors in Group B composed of plants operating from 100,000 to 249,999 man hours. Only one lost time accident can be charged against their record with 105,934 man hours. But two days were lost, giving them a 9.44 frequency record and a 0.01 severity rate. Malcolm M. Noxon is superintendent.

Russell-Miller Milling Co.'s Occident Terminal Elevator in Duluth gets the Group C (60,000 to 99,999 man hours) trophy for the top perfect record. Exactly 70,667 man hours were free of any accident whatsoever. Walter H. Teppen is superintendent.

Earning favorable mention are the Rock Island Elevator, Ft. Worth; Brooks Elevator, Minneapolis; Archer-Daniels-Midland, Council Bluffs; Star Elevator, Minneapolis; Kansas Elevator, Topeka; Leval & Co., Minneapolis; Stratton Grain Co., Chicago; Concrete Elevator, Minneapolis; Rice Grain Co., Toledo; Thomson Grain Elevator Co., Louisville.

Grain Carriers

Abandonment of 70 miles of the Missouri Pacific from Auburn to Crete, Neb., is recommended by Examiner Lucian Jordan.

Abandonment of 25 miles of branch line between Talmage and Weeping Water, Neb., has been refused the Missouri Pacific.

Class I railroads in the first four months of 1944, had an estimated net income, after interest and rentals, of \$199,000,000 compared with \$292,350,973 in the corresponding period of 1943.

The Oklahoma Railway Co. has been authorized to abandon 19 miles between Bethany and El Reno, 25.5 miles from North Oklahoma to Guthrie, 16 miles from Oklahoma City to Norman.

Seattle, Wash.—The barge Island Forester since Aug. 20 has made 27 trips from Vancouver, B. C., with wheat, discharging a total of 108,000 tons at the Hanford Street Elevator, breaking all records for Pacific coastal grain movement.

The Rivers and Harbors bill, H. R. 3961, embraces 290 projects for which \$498,784,931 is authorized, according to the report of the Senate commerce committee. For deepening and widening the Illinois waterway and Indiana Harbor and Canal there is allotted \$25,900,000.

The Kansas City Board of Trade has asked the Interstate Commerce Commission to vacate its orders in No. 17000 to the extent that they required a parity of rates on wheat and coarse grains. The Minneapolis Traffic Ass'n has asked the Commission to define the terms, "Corn, oats, barley, etc."

The A. E. Staley Mfg. Co. has asked reparation of \$13,000 for switching charges of \$2.50 per car from May 1, 1942, to May 8, 1944, for spotting cars at its grain elevators. Thirteen competing concerns that are not required to pay such switching charges are named. The company uses car pullers and requires setting in strings of cars only.

Manpower at the elevators is going to be one of the biggest problems, said R. E. Clark, manager of the Car Service Division of the Ass'n of American Railroads. "Enough men must be found to move the grain into storage without delay because no box cars can be spared for storage. There will be 9,000 fewer cars than last year and a larger crop to handle."

The railroad companies now are accepting shippers' prepaid Bs/L with the non-recourse clause signed by shipper, thus recognizing the U. S. Supreme Court decision in Illinois Steel Co. v. B. & O. R. R. Co. at the October, 1942, term. All along the National Industrial Traffic League has insisted the shipper had the right to this protection whether freight charges were collect or prepaid.

Portland, Ore.—Public Utilities Commissioner George Flagg has ordered inoperative the 6 per cent increase in interstate rail rates, allowed by the Interstate Commerce Commission in 1942, to all Oregon railroads. The increase was suspended at that time by the public utilities commission. The proposed increase will not be imposed until after Dec. 31 because the state is satisfied with the present rate.—F. K. H.

Cincinnati, O.—The Southern Grain Traffic Council is preparing testimony for the July 12 hearing at Washington on the proposed new schedule of rates on grain and grain products in the South. J. E. Kuntz, traffic manager for the Early & Daniel Co., said the council is "determinedly opposed" to the proposed changes in the rate schedule. It believes, among other things, he said, that the proposed rates would be disastrous to their operations.—P. J. P.

The world's tonnage of ships is greater now than when the war started. Construction continues, and when the war is over there will be more ships than can be employed.

Grain and grain products loading during the week ended May 27 totaled 41,125 cars, an increase of 485 cars above the preceding week but a decrease of 2,301 cars below the corresponding week in 1943. In the Western Districts alone, grain and grain products loading for the week of May 27, totaled 26,242 cars, an increase of 954 cars above the preceding week but a decrease of 2,768 cars below the corresponding week in 1943, as reported by the Ass'n of American Railroads.

County elevators in Kansas are practically empty, and farm stored stocks are only about half as large as a year ago. H. L. Collins, statistician, reports that as of Apr. 1, country mills and elevators with a storage capacity of 43,506,000 bus. contained only 5,865,000, compared with 26,200,000 on the like date a year ago. Wheat stored on farms amounted to 28,848,000 bus., compared with 58,029,000 Apr. 1, 1943. Total storage capacity in the state, exclusive of space available on farms was estimated in 1942 at 123,506,000 bus. The May 1 estimate of the 1944 wheat crop was 158 million bus.

Railroads Now Highly Efficient

John J. Pelley, pres., of the Ass'n of American Railroads, has filed with a Senate committee a statement that: "The transportation output of the average freight car per day is now more than double what it was in the last war; the net load of freight in the average train has gone up from less than 700 tons to more than 1,100 tons; the average speed of freight trains has risen 50 per cent, and the work done by the average train on the road has gone up from the equivalent of moving 7,000 tons of freight one mile to moving 17,000 ton-miles per hour.

"This progress in efficiency was no accidental occurrence," the statement continued. "It resulted from improvement of the railroad plant, brought about by the capital expenditure of 12 billion dollars since 1921, of which nearly four billion dollars were expended during the past 10 years. It resulted from continued progress in technology: better machines to work with, better rather than more locomotives and cars, more stable roadbed and tracks, heavier

and improved rail fastenings, and modernized signaling.

"It resulted from improved methods of operation, more efficient organization, and a much more intensive and effective utilization of the plant and its several parts. It reflected a higher degree of cooperation between railroads and shippers, and between railroads and the government transportation agencies with which they deal."

Distribution of Cars During Shortage

The Ass'n of American Railroads in Circular CSD 288 provides that the following rules will govern uniformly the distribution between shippers of cars available for grain loading at all stations during periods of car shortage:

"1. Each shipper of grain will advise the carrier's agent each Saturday of the total quantity of grain on hand tendered for rail shipment. The ratio of the quantity so reported by each shipper to the total quantity reported by all shippers shall be the percentage basis for the distribution of available cars at that station during the ensuing week for grain loading.

"2. Each shipper of grain shall make written order on the carrier's agent for cars wanted for grain loading, showing the following information:

- A. Date of order.
- B. Number of cars wanted. If for sacked grain, order should so state.
- C. Destinations.
- D. Date wanted to load.
- E. Quantity of each kind of grain on hand and conveniently located for prompt loading tendered for rail shipment.
- F. Name of shipper.

"3. Orders from shippers served by more than one railroad shall be placed jointly when cars are required from more than one road. Copies of all orders whether single or joint, shall be sent as information to each of the other roads serving the industry. Such combine orders must not exceed the total grain conveniently located for prompt loading tendered for shipment. Cars will not be furnished in excess of shipper's ability to load and ship promptly.

"4. When a shippers' pro-rata share of the available car supply is a fraction of a car, the fraction will be carried to his credit, and he will be entitled to car supply on the basis of the aggregate of such fractional credits.

"The term 'prompt loading,' as used in these rules, is intended to mean that a car placed for loading not later than 10 a.m. must be loaded and billing instructions tendered before the close of the day on which it is placed, failing which, such car will be charged against the shipper's allotment as an additional empty for each succeeding day held for loading, or for billing instructions."



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Grain and Feed Trade News

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ARKANSAS

Stuttgart, Ark.—Construction work on the large reinforced concrete rice drier here for the Stuttgart Grain Drying Co-operative, is half completed. The drier, with two 30-ft. units and storage capacity of 71,000 bus., is expected to be in operation within a few weeks.—P. J. P.

Wynne, Ark.—O. G. Killian, owner of Wynne Feed & Produce Co., announced his firm has purchased the half block of ground north of the Gulf Refining Co. bulk plant and will erect a building as soon as materials are available. Poultry dressing and egg grading facilities will be added to the feed and produce business.—P. J. P.

Blytheville, Ark.—The production of alfalfa meal is becoming one of the outstanding industries of Mississippi County, with 19 commercial dehydrating plants already established in the area, seven of which were located here in the past year. R. E. Buchanan, Memphis traffic manager for the Frisco Railway, instrumental in establishing many of these plants on its main line between Wilson, Ark. and Steele, Mo., said the location of the plants in this area was due to the fact that the Mississippi Valley Delta region was perhaps the most ideal alfalfa producing region in the United States.—P. J. P.

CALIFORNIA

South Dos Palos, Cal.—The Holmes Warehouse Co. property was damaged by high winds recently.

Healdsburg, Cal.—Herman Nock has purchased the feed and grain business from the estate of the late Charles Haigh and plans to operate it.

Lancaster, Cal.—A mill on the Armet Lyons Ranch southeast of here, owned by Alfred C. Mueller, burned recently, the loss estimated at \$75,000.

San Francisco, Cal.—W. W. Volmer of R. Volmer & Sons, was elected president of the San Francisco Grain Exchange at the recent annual meeting. H. H. Cook, local grain broker, was named vice-pres. A. H. Hankerson was returned to the post of manager and D. Belknap was reappointed sec'y. Directors include T. J. Convery, C. C. Schilthuis, F. J. Voigts, W. W. Volmer and H. H. Cook.

Sacramento, Cal.—Following is a Senate Preprint of Bill No. 7: "Adds Chapter IV to Title III of Part IV of the Civil Code, re sale of bulk grain without change in possession. Authorizes producer of grain to establish storage facilities under his own control and to sell grain stored therein without the actual and continued change of possession otherwise required by Section 3440 of the Civil Code. Provides that grain so stored may be resold by transfer of the bill of sale and regulates such transfer and the rights of the seller, buyer, and their assignees. To take effect immediately, urgency measure."

CANADA

Winnipeg, Man.—Trading in December futures for oats, barley and rye has been authorized by Council as from June 8, the sec'y of the Winnipeg Grain Exchanges advises, the contract grades and discounts applicable to the October futures to apply.

Winnipeg, Man.—While an open delivery quota on wheat has been authorized at all shipping points in western Canada, the Canadian Wheat Board emphasizes that producers must continue to have deliveries properly recorded in their permit books, unless special permission is given otherwise. Present open quotas which now are in effect on all grains at all delivery points remain in effect until July 31, 1944. The new crop year starts and new quota regulations become effective Aug. 1, 1944.

Ottawa, Ont., June 8.—The following quantities (in bushels) of wheat and coarse grain were delivered from farms in Western Canada the week ending June 1: Wheat, 3,303,777; oats, 2,467,283; barley, 927,323; rye, 24,957; flaxseed, 19,763; since Aug. 1 and compared to the same period a year ago, shown in parentheses: Wheat, 235,901,384 (212,032,063); oats, 112,910,418 (95,004,254); barley, 74,331,632 (68,288,310); rye, 4,451,138 (7,349,581); flaxseed, 14,170,585 (11,036,470).—S. A. Cudmore, M.A., Dominion Statistician.

West St. John, N. B.—Renwick J. Anderson, retired foreman of the Canadian Pacific Railway grain elevator, died recently after a long illness. He had been on the elevator staff for about 40 years, and foreman for about 20. Surviving are four sons and two daughters. Mr. Anderson had watched the shipment of grain thru West St. John grow from a small scale to the prevailing heavy volume, including the expansion from one wooden elevator to two big steel and cement elevators, both located at the docks.—Wm. McN.

Port Arthur, Ont.—An installation of new grain cleaning equipment that will provide additional cleaning capacity of 20,000 bus. per hour has been made by the Saskatchewan Pool Terminals Ltd. in their terminal elevators at the Canadian head of the lakes. Machines chosen to do this cleaning job are ten No. 45 Hart Uni-flow Grain Separators, a product of the Hart-Carter Co. Machines previously installed and already at work at the time of the new, 10-machine purchase include twelve No. 45 and two No. 44 Hart Uni-flow Grain Separators also a number of smaller seed cleaning machines.

St. John, N. B.—Benjamin F. Smith, of East Florenceville, N. B., and Ottawa, Ont., who died recently, aged 78, was a veteran of the feed and flour trade, as well as politics. He started in the flour and feed trade as a boy, and had toured New Brunswick buying from grist mills for export. He also had bought and sold wheat. Before starting in business on his own account, he was buyer for A. C. Smith & Co., of West St. John, then a leading grain, feed and flour buying and shipping firm. His father, the late G. F. Smith, had also been in the trade. B. F. Smith had been a member of the New Brunswick legislature and Dominion Parliament, and for the past nine years had been a member of the Canadian senate.—Wm. McN.

COLORADO

Delta, Colo.—L. A. Dowd has resigned as manager of the Delta Elevator after 27 years in that position, and has been succeeded by Wayne E. Brenton, who has been assistant at the mill.

Denver, Colo.—O. M. Kellogg of the Kellogg Grain Co. recently returned from Oregon where he was visiting his son in the Service. W. J. Moon of the same company left for Memphis to visit his aged mother.

Peets, Colo.—Roy Bigely, who recently resigned his position as manager of the A. C. Cooper Co. elevator at Diller, Neb., after three years' service, has accepted the management of a local elevator.—P. J. P.

Ordway, Colo.—Floyd Littler of Lamar, Colo., has been appointed manager of the local mill of the Denver Alfalfa Milling Co. Mr. Littler is a son of Fred Littler, a former manager of the mill. He succeeds Floyd Eaton who recently was made manager of the Hartman, Colo., mill district.

Denver, Colo.—The Denver Grain Exchange Ass'n is remodeling its headquarters and equipment, improvements made including re-arrangement of the inspection department toward rendering more efficient service. The work is being done under the supervision of C. E. Davis, chief inspector, and F. R. Houlton, president.

Olathe, Colo.—The Olathe Elevator of the Montrose Flour Milling Co., has been sold to the Farmers Union Marketing Ass'n. Harman Guard, field representative of the association, announced that Roy Loper, who has been manager of the elevator for many years, will continue in that position. The local property included in the sale, with the 20,000-bu. elevator consists of a warehouse, feed mill and bean cleaner. It has large storage for beans.

Johnstown, Colo.—The Denver Alfalfa Milling & Products Co. will erect a plant here on the old park site, for dehydrating alfalfa. Carl E. Showalter, local manager of the company, stated the plant probably will not be ready for operation before fall owing to the inability to secure all the needed equipment. The company is to invest about \$25,000 in the plant in its initial stages but plans to increase its capacity so that the total cost will be around \$60,000. A short spur will be run from the Great Western railroad to serve the plant.

Montrose, Colo.—The Montrose Flour Milling Co. has sold its Montrose and Olathe, Col., holdings to the Farmers Union Marketing Ass'n. Transfer will be made July 1. The Montrose Flour Milling Co. is a stock company with Stuart Krebs, pres., Mrs. Alice L. Camp, vice-pres., and Lloyd N. Case, sec'y-treas. and general manager. Its Montrose property consists of three and one-half acres outside the city limits. The buildings consist of the upper warehouse, a frame structure 50 x 40 ft., which contains the seed cleaning dept.; the main warehouse, 125 x 40 ft. of brick, for flour storage; and the flour mill, 40 x 46 ft., two large metal bins of 40,000 bus. capacity. The foundation for the new flour mill is in, (to replace the one that burned a year ago), and machinery and equipment for a complete flour mill, four stories in height, is at hand for installation just as soon as the mill can be erected. The new owners intend to go ahead with construction of the plant according to plans already prepared by the old management. The office is 25 x 25 and houses the only cereal laboratory between Denver and Salt Lake City. Mr. Case will remain as manager of the local mill.

ILLINOIS

Good Hope, Ill.—The Good Hope Co-op. Co. recently installed a new scale at its elevator.

Woodford, Ill.—The Woodford Elevator Co. is redecorating and painting its office, store and salesroom.

Jacksonville, Ill.—The W. A. Davenport & Son elevator was badly damaged by high winds on April 30.

Belvidere, Ill.—The Farmers Co-op. Elevator Co. has purchased the coal business of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Silver.

Niantic, Ill.—John S. Delaney, 84, for many years prominent as a stock shipper and grain dealer here, died recently.—P. J. P.

Manteno, Ill.—Harry F. Addems, 78, operator of grain elevators at Manteno and Fort Dodge, Ia., died at Kankakee May 30.

Danvers, Ill.—S. Earl Mauer and Guy Jones have opened a cob grinding establishment west of the Levi Johnston & Son elevator.

Piatt, Ill.—Arthur Knowles has accepted a position as manager of the local Bement Grain Co. elevator and has moved his family here.

Graymont, Ill.—Vernon Drager, assistant manager at the Graymont Co-op. Ass'n elevator, and Miss Lucile Tuley of Streator, were married recently.

Decatur, Ill.—The Decatur Milling Co. recently was placed on the government's official list of corn processing industries eligible to buy corn.—P. J. P.

Franklin, Ill.—Clarence Jewsbury, who recently purchased the Franklin elevator, has built an office near the elevator and is installing a 34-ft. deck scale.

Farmer City, Ill.—Installation of the new drier at the Scholer & Gring elevator has been completed. It replaced the one recently destroyed by fire.—P. J. P.

Sadorus, Ill.—Henry W. Holl, 71, manager of the Sadorus Co-op. Elevator Co. for 24 years, died May 22 at his home following an illness of several months.—P. J. P.

Mason City, Ill.—A new truck hoist has been installed at the Mason City Milling Co. mill. A larger transformer also was installed, to increase electric voltage at the plant.

Bethany, Ill.—Guy McBride, formerly employed in charge of the feed department of the Bethany Grain Co., is now working in Decatur for the Sharp & Bender Produce Co.

Alton, Ill.—H. W. Harris, for years connected with the R. C. Davidson Grain Co., Hutchinson, Kan., has accepted a place here with the Stanard-Tilton division of the Russell-Miller Milling Co.

Fruit (Edwardsville p.o.), Ill.—John A. Fruit in business here for 62 years, has sold his elevator, store, home and several acres of land to C. H. Castor of St. Louis, and will move to Edwardsville where he has purchased a home.—P. J. P.

Chenoa, Ill.—A Bloomington company has leased an old canning factory building here where it will establish a corn cob grinding plant. The product will be used to clean and polish shells and ammunition, clean carbon from airplane motors, and for furfural, to be used in the manufacture of synthetic rubber.

Sadorus, Ill.—The 53,000-bu. elevator now under construction for the Sadorus Co-op. Elevator Co. is expected to be completed Aug. 1. Henry W. Holl, manager for many years, who had planned the new structure, died May 22, failing to realize his fondest ambition, that of seeing the elevator completed.—P. J. P.

Orion, Ill.—The Henry-Stark Service Co., which recently purchased the Wakey Bros. elevators and feed mills here and at Osco, are operating the plants with Clarence Youngberg as manager of the local business. The manager of the Osco elevator will be announced later. Harold Kimdig will continue working at the local plant.

Charleston, Ill.—Robert Rupel has taken over the business of Stamper & Wilson and announces he is now prepared to do custom grinding and mixing. Mr. Rupel formerly was representative of Pillsbury's Best Feeds in Missouri, resigning to take over the local business. He will continue to handle these feeds at retail here. Mr. Rupel has moved the grinding and mixing machinery to the building at Van Buren and Fourth Sts. from where he will conduct all operations.

Chebanse, Ill.—Since B. J. Wallace of Clifton purchased the Bruce Grain Elevator last September, he has made many improvements at the plant. A 22x60 ft. lumber yard has been built and he has rented a 26x110 ft. building for storage of cement, lime and all dressed lumber, the firm carrying a full line of building material. A new one-ton feed mixer also has been installed in the elevator. The business is operated as the Wallace Grain Elevator. Herman V. Mathy is manager.

Clinton, Ill.—Sam Bane of Atwood took over his new duties as manager of the DeWitt County Co-op. Grain Co. on June 1, succeeding Harry Scott, now cashier of the DeWitt County National Bank.

Tuscola, Ill.—The Tuscola Co-op. Grain Co. is building two grain storage bins of 35,000 bus. capacity each, north of its elevator. Each will be 58 ft. high and constructed of reinforced concrete, Harry Carrell, manager, stated. Completion is expected in about eight weeks. J. E. Reeser & Son have the contract.—P. J. P.

Blandinsville, Ill.—The Blandinsville Farmers Elevator Co. on July 1 of this year will pay off the last of its outstanding indebtedness and will have an operating capital left in the bank. Its stockholders this spring received a \$6 dividend for each \$100 share. The record has been accomplished during the last 13 years, since a judgment against the company was obtained at which time its indebtedness was \$30,000. George Spainhower is the manager, assuming that position in 1926. The company was organized in 1917.

Decatur, Ill.—Construction of a \$1,000,000 solvent soybean plant has been started here by the A. E. Staley Mfg. Co. the project, which it is claimed will provide the largest solvent extraction plant in the United States, will include two main buildings, several smaller structures, and a dam which will provide a pond covering approximately 35 acres. A. E. Staley, Jr., president of the company, said the new plant unit will have a capacity of approximately 500 tons of soybeans daily. The John Felmley Co. has the constructive contract.

Cambridge, Ill.—D. O. Carter has purchased Walter Powers' interest in the Powers-Hutchinson Co. elevator and chick hatchery and the new firm will be known as Hutchinson & Carter. Mr. Powers will continue in his present connection with the elevator, however, until July 1, after which time he will take over his new duties as postmaster. Mr. Carter came here in 1941 as District Conservationist with supervision over six counties in Western Illinois for the Soil Conservation service. Mr. Powers had been in the elevator business here since 1922 when he bought half interest in the elevator from the late A. L. Arthens. Several years later he purchased the interest of his senior partner, the late H. C. Kellogg, and conducted the business himself until November, 1936, when he sold a half interest to Donald Hutchinson.

CHICAGO NOTES

W. D. Hagerty & Co. have changed their name to Hagerty Grain Co.

Walter T. Sullivan, a member of the Board of Trade since 1915, passed away June 6.

The directors of the Board of Trade fixed the rate of interest for the month of June at 5 per cent per annum.

The Transit Grain Co., Fort Worth Tex., has established a divisional office in Chicago, with Cliff Cox as manager. Mr. Cox formerly was with the Specialties Division of Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., Minneapolis, for over seven years, and more recently was associated with the Arcady Farms Milling Co., Chicago.



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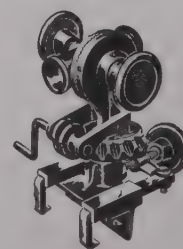
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On May contracts not settled by delivery the directors of the Board of Trade ordered settlement at \$1.73½ for wheat, 82c for oats and \$1.28 for barley, per bushel.

Anthony J. Barrett, 77, River Forest, a member of the Board of Trade for 47 years, died in Oak Park Hospital June 3. He was a brother of the late John F. Barrett and the late Sheriff Thomas E. Barrett, both former members of the Board of Trade. Surviving him is a son, John F., also a member of the board.

Burt W. Max, George E. Collins, Lee H. Wagner with Norris Grain Co., all of Chicago, Sam J. Smith and Bernard Roscoe, New York, N. Y., Charles I. Hills, Asbury Park, N. J., and Le Roy B. Merillat of Fort Wayne, Ind., have been admitted to membership in the Chicago Board of Trade. Mr. Merillat is a partner in the firm of McNeen, Merillat & Co., Fort Wayne.

Archer - Daniels - Midland Co. have moved their offices from the mill at 927 Blackhawk St. to the Wrigley Building, due to increased soybean operations. The new offices will give ample space to the enlarged staff. E. G. Laugren is the office manager; E. O. Paschke will be in charge of soybean specialty sales, and J. W. Gorman will have charge of soybean and linseed oil meal sales.

In recognition of Invasion Day, members of the Chicago Board of Trade stood with heads bowed in prayer for a two-minute period June 6, at 11 a. m. o'clock. Since immediately after Pearl Harbor in early December, 1941, a one-minute period of silent prayer for victory has been a daily occurrence at that hour. On the stroke of eleven, the giant gong which has signaled the opening and closing of the daily session on the Exchange for the most of a century, is sounded, at which time all activity comes to a complete standstill, with traders facing the east for the next minute.

INDIANA

Kentland, Ind.—The Harlan Grain Co. is being dissolved.

New Carlisle, Ind.—The New Carlisle Grain Co. has been dissolved.

New Paris, Ind.—The Martin's Feed Mill has completed plans for construction of its elevator that burned recently.

Frankfort, Ind.—Philip C. Endres has purchased the Sims Milling Co., including the firm's real estate and business, taking possession on June 1.

Attica, Ind.—Glen Jones, manager of the Jones Bros.' elevator, is enjoying a month's vacation from his duties, visiting in New Mexico and California.

Warren, Ind.—Roy L. Mossburg, formerly manager of the Farmers Exchange elevator, has accepted a position with the City Coal & Coke Co. in Fort Wayne.

Liberty, Ind.—Delson A. Cox, who recently moved with his family to a recently purchased home in Richmond, will continue as manager of the local Muff Grain & Coal Co.

Francesville, Ind.—One of the large grain bins at the Crabbs Reynolds Taylor Co.'s elevator collapsed, recently, spewing soybeans all over the basement and out on the railroad track. Employees were preparing to load a car when the bin gave way, spilling some 4,000 bus. of beans.

Portland, Ind.—The Haynes Milling Co. recently filed an amendment to its charter increasing the authorized capital stock to 2,000 shares having a par value of \$100 each.—P. J. P.

Martinsville, Ind.—Morris Bolin, formerly of the firm of Bolin & Richards, has purchased the old Townsend blacksmith building and is opening the establishment as a feed and poultry business.

Berne, Ind.—The Adams County Farm Bureau Co-op. Ass'n, Inc., has had its charter amended, increasing capital stock to 1,000 shares preferred of \$25 par value and 15,000 shares common of \$5 par value.—P. J. P.

Fishers, Ind.—Alva V. Stout, formerly manager of the Syler & Syler elevator at Plymouth, has taken over the business of the Fishers Grain Co. which he recently purchased from Clay W. Sparks, consisting of a modern grain elevator and feed, seed and coal business.

West Lebanon, Ind.—Hiram Jones, operator of the Hiram Jones Elevator, for the past 21 years, died recently. For many years before coming here, with his brother, the late Isaac A. Jones, he operated grain elevators at Stone Bluff and Attica under the name of Jones Bros. The Attica elevator was still continued under that name and is now operated by Glenn Jones, a son of the late Isaac A. Jones.

Evansville, Ind.—Basic and supplemental gasoline rations held by Edgar Igleheart, chairman of Igleheart Bros., Inc., have been revoked by an O.P.A. hearing panel, effective May 21. He was penalized for speeding and "improper use" of a company automobile and supplementary rations for personal business. He is said to have used the auto and gasoline for a trip from Washington to Camp Lee, Va., to visit his son.—P. J. P.

Holton, Ind.—The Holton Milling Co. mill, owned by Edwin R. Morris, was destroyed by fire kindled by lightning May 16. The building was struck during a severe electrical storm shortly after 9 p. m. and the structure and its contents were destroyed, with the exception of several trailer tractors which Mr. Morris managed to get out, severely burning his hands in doing so. The loss is estimated at several thousands dollars, partially covered by insurance. Floyd Downey, employed at the mill, saw the lightning strike the southwest corner of the building while he was at the telephone exchange, and immediately turned in a fire alarm.

IOWA

Lake Park, Ia.—Lee Fike has opened the Fike Feed Store.

Keokuk, Ia.—Wm. E. Slaughter has been appointed comptroller and sec'y of Purity Oats Co.—A. G. T.

Dallas Center, Ia.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. recently installed a Bender Overhead Hoist in its elevator driveway.

Van Wert, Ia.—Mail addressed to the Iowa-Missouri Co. has been returned by the post office marked "out of business."

Churdan, Ia.—E. A. Milligan & Son, with headquarters in Des Moines, have purchased the Dalby Lumber Co. yard here.—A. G. T.

Armstrong, Ia.—Erwin L. Oldfather has purchased the feed, seed and produce business and building from Martin Anderberg and is operating it as the Oldfather Milling Co. Mr. Anderberg is retiring from the business after 27 years as operator of the local firm.

Industry, Ia.—At a meeting of the stockholders on May 29 the Industry Elvtr. Co. voted to sell its local elevator by public auction on June 15.

Corydon, Ia.—The W. L. Snyder Co. suffered a \$10,000 fire in April which burned about three-fourths of its buildings and about 3,000 sacks of feed.

Waukee, Ia.—The Waukee Farmers Co-op. Elvtr. Co. is enlarging its building, increasing the space to double its present size, George Kramer, manager, stated.

New Sharon, Ia.—George Jones received several cracked ribs recently when several sacks of feed pinned him against the wall at the Peterson Grain Co. plant.

Clinton, Ia.—An addition of a third floor to the office building of the Clinton Co.'s office building, to be completed by Sept. 1. Ole Jorgensen & Co., has the contract.

Guernsey, Ia.—The Wilder Grain Co. furnished the materials, donating them without cost, for the memorial marker recently erected for Guernsey and Lincoln Township.

Farmington, Ia.—Floyd Simmons has taken over management of the Moline Produce & Feed business and F. D. Moline will devote his full time to operation of the locker plant.

Conroy, Ia.—When war ends we are figuring on making some changes on line shafts as well as other improvements needed.—R. J. Davis, mgr., Farmers Co-operative Grain & Lumber Co.

Des Moines, Ia.—Construction of the six-story soybean processing mill of Spencer Kellogg & Sons, Inc., is well under way. The mill will be 52 x 196 ft. in size, the structure to cost \$625,000.

Des Moines, Ia.—Don Jorgensen, who has been employed with the Atlantic Mill & Elvtr. Co. at Atlantic, Ia., recently was appointed manager of the grain and jobbing department of Sargent & Co.—A. G. T.

Lake Mills, Ia.—Gerhard Larson has resigned his position as manager of the Farmers Co-op. Elvtr. Co. elevator, being unable to find a residence here, and has returned to Fort Dodge where his family resides.

Huxley, Ia.—Eldon Gummell tendered his resignation as manager of the Farson Lbr. & Grain Co. at Farson, Ia., following sale of the Farson Yard and on May 1 started his new duties as manager of the H. L. Munn Lbr. Co. here.

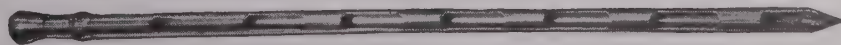
Ventura, Ia.—Mike Kinsella is new manager of the Woodford-Wheeler Lumber Yard and Elevator, succeeding Henry Thomas who resigned because of ill health after 40 years in the position. Bud Bragg of Clear Lake will be the assistant.

Sac City, Ia.—A new soybean processing plant was opened here recently by the Williams Milling Co. who erected two large bins for beans and installed the necessary machinery. Leo W. Williams is president and general manager of the plant.—Art Torkelson with Lamson Bros. & Co.

Muscatine, Ia.—Boilers, expellers, motors and most of the other equipment have been received for the soybean processing plant being installed in a brick industrial building here by the McKee Feed & Grain Co., L. R. McKee reported. Installation of machinery will be started with hopes that it will be in readiness for operation by Oct. 1. Equipment will be sufficient to process approximately 1,000 bus. of soybeans a day.



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Sioux City, Ia.—The Western Mills was damaged by fire the night of June 6, believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion. Mr. and Mrs. William Lorenz, owners, who reside on the second floor of the structure housing their business, asleep in their apartment at the time of the fire, were roused by firemen.

Superior, Ia.—The Superior Co-operative Elvtr. Co. recently purchased the local Greig & Co., Inc., elevator and facilities and will operate the business in conjunction with its own elevator. A. G. Reunitz, manager of the Greig & Co., Inc., elevator, has gone to Estherville to take a position at the company's headquarters.

Clinton, Ia.—The Pillsbury Feed Mills is remodeling the former W. J. Young & Co. offices to provide a laboratory for analytical and research work with soybeans and feeds. Installation of the latest type laboratory equipment is planned for the second floor of the two-story, 41-ft. sq. structure, Ernest Scott, Pillsbury engineer, said.

Iowa City, Ia.—The Johnson County Grain & Feed Club has been organized, with Fred Hoskins of Lone Tree, Ia., as president, and Bob Davis, of Iowa City, as sec'y-treas. Mark Thornburg, sec'y of the Western Grain & Feed Ass'n, addressed the group at a recent meeting, and the federal allocation com'te discussed the protein and corn situation.

Hawarden, Ia.—I am installing an alfalfa dehydrating plant at Hawarden, using equipment obtained from Western Alfalfa Meal Co. from its McClure, Ill., plant which was flooded out this spring by the Mississippi River. I expect the plant to be in operation about June 15. We will operate as the Sioux Alfalfa Co., a partnership.—H. G. Moeller.

Burlington, Ia.—The Iowa Grain & Produce Co., Inc., has been dissolved as a corporation and a partnership has been formed between J. L. Gafford, Gottlieb, Stiefel and E. J. Gafford, former stockholders of the corporation, to carry on the same type of business of the former corporation at the same location under the name of Iowa Grain & Produce Co.

Fairfax, Ia.—William Behle has sold his elevator and business to the Central Iowa Grain Co. of Cedar Rapids. Possession will be given July 1. Mr. Behle came here in 1915 as manager of the Farmers Elevator Co., buying the business in 1926. He plans to retire from active business and continue to reside here. The Central Iowa Grain Co. now operates elevators at Cedar Rapids, Toledo, Grinnell and Morengo.

Wellsburg, Ia.—About 3,000 bus. of grain that went thru the fire that destroyed the Freichs-Snittjer elevator recently, have been sold for feed. A constant vigil was kept at the elevator for many days following the fire as the grain in bins was still burning and the fire endangered the warehouse which was set on fire several times, the blazes extinguished by the watchers. The firm has made arrangements to continue to take in grain.

Burchinal, Ia.—Mervin Wood, manager of the Farmers, Inc., Co-op. Soc. elevator was knocked unconscious when a strong wind blew the driveway door at the elevator closed as he was attempting to shut it during a heavy wind and rain storm. Mr. Wood was knocked over backwards, his head striking the steel grating over the grain pit. The driver of a truck who had just entered with a load of corn, found him lying unconscious on the floor. Several stitches were required to close the wound made on his head.

Mystic, Ia.—Guy Harris, operator of the Guy Harris, Produce, of Centerville, has purchased the Beatrice Feed Mfg. division, which produced a full line of agricultural feeds. Mr. Harris expects to close out the line of feeds and stock on hand and move a portion of the stock to Centerville.

Cedar Rapids, Ia.—Fire destroyed \$30,000 worth of grain and gutted the \$50,000 elevator owned by the Wilder Grain Co., May 27. Steve Wilder, president of the company, stated the grain consisted of wheat, corn, oats, barley and soybeans. Both building and contents were covered by insurance.

West View (Pocahontas p.o.), Ia.—Two concrete storage tanks adjoining the West View Grain Co. elevator were wrecked by the tornado that recently swept thru this vicinity. The tanks had a capacity of 65,000 bus. of grain. The elevator was undamaged altho a large concrete slab crushed the roof of the elevator office. The tanks contained approximately 4,000 bus. of corn which spilled to the ground and was badly damaged by water. Charles Van Gundy of Fort Dodge owns the elevator. Perry Pierson is manager. The loss is covered by insurance.—A. G. T.

Fort Dodge, Ia.—Cargill, Inc., will begin rebuilding its soybean processing plant at Central Ave. and First St. as soon as possible. H. E. Marxhausen, local manager, stated, following partial wrecking of the plant by the tornado that hit in and near here the evening of May 19. The twister lifted the roof from the Cargill building and ripped off a large section of the east wall. The 50,000-gal. water tank on its 100-ft. tower was demolished and will not be rebuilt. Damage to the rest of the company property, including the large grain elevator, was negligible. When the top was blown from the Cargill building Guy Hanson who had gone to the plant for a load of feed and was just tying the canvas over his loaded truck, was thrown between his truck and a box car and completely covered with brick from the wrecked structure. He sustained serious injuries, both arms receiving compound fractures and his body being severely cut and bruised. Amputation of one arm was at first thought necessary, but after undergoing operations it is now thought both arms can be saved. A man near the scene had seen Hanson being covered, and went to his rescue, saving his life. Hanson's truck along with several Cargill trucks was demolished.

KANSAS

Abilene, Kan.—The Abilene Alfalfa Mill, a new industry, has been placed in operation.

Belpre, Kan.—The Craig Grain Co. sustained a loss at its plant from recent high winds.

Lawrence, Kan.—The Lawrence Milling Co. recently sustained an electrical damage loss.

Quinter, Kan.—High winds damaged the Farmers Co-op. Elvtr. Co. property recently.

Seneca, Kan.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. is installing a new 40 x 10 ft., deck, 30-ton scale.

Trousdale, Kan.—The Craig Grain Co. elevator was damaged by high winds on May 15.

Bird City, Kan.—B. F. Gillum, formerly of Denver, is new manager of the McDougal Elevator, succeeding F. A. Most, who resigned anticipating a call into the armed forces.

Mount Hope, Kan.—The Mid-West Alfalfa Co. has moved its alfalfa mill here from Wichita. It is planned to install a dehydrator if power is made available to the company.

Hutchinson, Kan.—The Geo. E. Gano Grain Corp. sustained an electrical damage loss recently.

Buhler, Kan.—High winds did considerable damage at the Buhler Mill & Elvtr. Co. mill recently.

Garden City, Kan.—The Western Terminal Elvtr. Co. elevator was damaged recently by high winds.

Garden Plain, Kan.—The Consolidated Flour Mills Co. elevator was damaged slightly by recent high winds.

Belleville, Kan.—Wils S. Hitchcock, 75, former elevator manager, was found dead in his bed May 26.—P. J. P.

Wetmore, Kan.—The Continental Grain Co. is rebuilding its local elevator which was destroyed by fire about a year ago.

Horton, Kan.—Dewey Howard has completed construction of his local alfalfa plant, of 4,000 tons capacity, and the plant is in operation.

Carmi (Preston p.o.), Kan.—Gordon "Tip" Sibley has accepted a position as manager of the Preston Co-operative Grain Co. elevator.

Goodland, Kan.—Earl Ground announced he has sold the Earl H. Ground Grain Co. elevator to the Terminal Grain Co. J. R. Duffey will be new manager.

Topeka, Kan.—Burglars entered the office of the Topeka Milling Co. recently, taking gasoline rationing coupons, a small amount of stamps and 50c in change.—P. J. P.

Buhler, Kan.—J. C. Reigier, manager of the Buhler Mill & Elvtr. Co., died unexpectedly June 6 in Hutchinson, Kan., after a heart attack suffered the preceding night.

Hutchinson, Kan.—E. E. French, formerly manager of the Farmers Elevator at Mullinsville, Kan., has accepted a position as an elevator superintendent with the Sam P. Wallingford Grain Corp.

Great Bend, Kan.—The Walnut Creek-Milling Co., T. H. Sherwood, manager, is repairing and refinishing its bins at the mill on South Main St. Work is scheduled for completion by July 1.

Russell, Kan.—Carl Pruess, of Clyde, Kan., has started work as milling superintendent in the Russell Milling Co. plant, succeeding Procter Rader who resigned after 24 years employment with the firm.

Russell, Kan.—The E. L. Rickel Grain elevator is now the Russell Grain Co., the Rickel interest having been purchased by local persons recently. J. P. Lasure is continuing as manager of the business.

Topeka, Kan.—Forbes Bros. at their Central Mills plant will erect an addition, two stories high and of brick and tile construction, to be used for the manufacture of pellets for poultry and stock feed. George Rinner has the contract.

Emporia, Kan.—The Elk Valley Alfalfa Mills, Inc.'s new dehydration plant has been placed in operation with the initial processing of first crop of alfalfa in Lyon and Chase Counties. Charles Whittman is buyer and field manager for the local mill.

Hutchinson, Kan.—H. A. Davis, Western Terminal Elvtr. Co., and A. W. Estes, Mid-West Grain Co., have been nominated for president of the Hutchinson Board of Trade for the new year. Vice-pres. nominees are P. M. Clarke and J. R. Miller.

Wichita, Kan.—W. E. Root, vice-pres. and treasurer of Wichita Terminal Elvtr. Co., has been elected president of the Wichita Board of Trade. Russell W. Payne, manager of the grain department of the Consolidated Flour Mills Co., was elected vice-pres., R. R. Roth of the Roth Grain Co. was elected sec'y-treas. D. L. Mullen continues as executive sec'y. The directors elected include, I. B. Carr, A. E. Randle, R. S. Moore and E. F. Beyer. The following directors hold over until next May: U. L. Shelton, J. O. Kocher.

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Norwich, Kan.—The A. A. Johnston Elvtr. Co. elevator was destroyed by fire on May 25. Mr. Johnston recently had added much storage space, capacity of the elevator being 50,000 bu. The Missouri Pacific R. R. lost 400 grain doors, stored there in preparation for the coming movement of wheat during harvest.

Morrowville, Kan.—The Continental Grain Co. will operate its local elevator, formerly leased to the Morrowville Grain & Coal Co. A warehouse 22 x 50 ft. is being built and feed grinding and mixing equipment is being installed. The company also recently installed a new overhead truck hoist. Edward Kenney on June 1 assumed charge of the local elevator as manager, having been transferred here from Pawnee City, Neb.

Gridley, Kan.—Two local boys were arrested on charges of petty larceny, for entering the Sauder Elevator early the morning of May 14 and taking \$2.50 from the cash register. They were caught in the elevator by E. W. Souder, owner and manager. The boys entered pleas of guilty. The youth sentenced confessed to have been in the elevator on a previous occasion and taking \$10. For the other youth, given a stay of sentence, it was his first offense.

Bird City, Kan.—Members of the Cheyenne County Grain & Elvtr. Ass'n represented by dealers in McDonald, Wheeler, St. Francis and Bird City met here recently for its monthly dinner and business conference. Shipping facilities, the employment problem and grain storage were some of the points of interest discussed. At the June meeting a speaker will be present to talk on the subject of marketing wheat. The public will be invited to this meeting as ceilings and other questions not generally understood by the public will be discussed.

KENTUCKY

Bardwell, Ky.—The grist mill operated by Thad A. Fraser was destroyed by fire recently. Lightning is believed to have started the blaze.

Nashville, Ky.—Fred Borries, president of Ballard & Ballard Co., Louisville, for 10 years and an employee for 27 years until Jan. 14 when he resigned, has been named regional manager of the grocery products sales division of the Pillsbury Flour Mills Co. He will supervise sales in Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and part of Arkansas and Louisiana with headquarters and residence in Nashville.—A. W. W.

Louisville, Ky.—Activity in connection with getting plans started for building new distilleries in Kentucky after the war, or when materials and labor are again available, were shown here the past few days. The Old Star Distilling Corp., capital \$520,000, has been incorporated by R. P. Hobson, Louisville attorney; Edgar W. Archer, Louisville architect; and J. M. Fuhrman. Hobson in a statement held that the new company planned to build a new and modern distillery from scratch, his clients feeling that with so many distilleries having gone into a few hands, there is plenty of room for independents. Papers were also filed for Dowling Distillers, Inc., capital \$250,000, David G. Cates, 539 Poppy Way, who referred inquiries to his attorney, John K. Skaggs, Jr. Articles have also been filed by the Pebleford Distillers, Inc., Wilder, Campbell County, near Newport, a concern associated with the Pebleford Distillery Co., and which is one of the incorporators, along with Stewart S. Freedman, Loretta Schenkler, and George S. Schaefer.—A. W. W.

Louisville, Ky.—Callahan & Sons, oldest grain dealers in this section, have sold their interests to the Continental Grain Co. of New York, T. H. Minary, Jr., vice-pres. of Callahan's, announced. Mr. Minary, who has been with the local company for 10 years, will continue as manager here under the new owners who took over operation of the property June 1. R. L. Callahan, son of James Callahan, who founded the business in 1850, will remain in an executive capacity. The local elevator will be used as a "feeder plant" for the 7,000,000-bu. Continental storage elevator in St. Louis. The sale had been pending since last February.—P. J. P.

LOUISIANA

Crowley, La.—Crowley Rice Drier Co-op., Inc., will build a rice drier, a concrete building with 36,000 bbls. storage bins, in which two unit driers with all necessary facilities will be installed, to handle the 1944 crop.

MICHIGAN

Buchanan, Mich.—The Buchanan Co-op. Inc., is building an elevator.

Grand Ledge, Mich.—The Grand Ledge Produce Co. sustained a fire loss on May 18.

Deckerville, Mich.—Building and stock of the Michigan Bean Co. was damaged by fire June 2.

Fenton, Mich.—The west coal shed of the Michigan Bean Co. was destroyed by fire recently.

Marshall, Mich.—Chas. G. Chesher recently installed a new sheller driven by a 7½-h.p., fully enclosed, G. E. Motor.

Centerville, Mich.—J. R. Truckenmiller, who resigned as treasurer of Denton Mills, effective May 1, and E. R. Harding, sec'y, who resigned effective June 1, were honor guests at a farewell dinner given at the Centerville Hotel recently. Guests included office men and mill personnel.

Pigeon, Mich.—Co-operative Elvtr. & Milling Ass'n is building an addition to its elevator. Storage bins are being built, the grain receiving pits improved, and a grain drier separate from the elevator is being built. The latter improvement is being made to eliminate the fire hazard.

Wheeler, Mich.—Alfred G. Wolansky of Ithaca has been named assistant to Wilbur G. Hubbard, manager of the Breckenridge (Mich.) Farmers Elvtr. Co., and will take up his duties as manager of the local elevator July 1. He succeeds Vern Keener, who resigned after being manager for several years, to accept another elevator position.

Shepherd, Mich.—The feed handling capacity at the Shepherd Grain & Bean Co. plant is being increased by the addition of the following equipment: A new hammer mill, driven by a 50-h.p. Motor; a new sheller, driven by a 10-h.p. motor; and a Nickle Crusher and Feeder, driven by a 5-h.p. motor. All motors are of the fully enclosed type.

Prescott, Mich.—Due to the closing of the Co-operative Elevator at this station, the Prescott Elvtr. Co., has found it necessary to increase its feed grinding capacity. It has recently installed a new hammer mill, driven by a 30-h.p., G.-E., Fully Enclosed Motor, and a new feed mixer. The railroad was withdrawn from this station about a year ago.

Elkton, Mich.—Ira Faist, manager of the Elkton Elevator, was named president of the Elkton Community Club at a recent meeting.

Litchfield, Mich.—The Litchfield Dairy Ass'n, which purchased the flour mill formerly operated by Stock & Sons of Hillsdale, has converted this into a feed plant and recently installed a hammer mill driven by a 50-h.p., fully enclosed, Howell Motor. The mill is equipped with tramp iron separator and a crusher.

Kalamazoo, Mich.—Children playing with matches set fire to a small storage shed east of the main mill building of the G. R. Clapp flour mill recently, and only efficient work of firemen prevented a disastrous fire. The roofing of two empty bins near the mill were ignited before the arrival of the fire department, and with the shed were completely destroyed. Mill employees had extinguished another fire earlier in the afternoon, caused by children. Contents of the mill included 5,000 bu. of grain, which was not damaged.

MINNESOTA

Cologne, Minn.—The Cologne Milling Co. recently sustained a loss from fire.

Blue Earth, Minn.—The Pfeffer Elvtr. Co. elevator was damaged by high winds on May 18.

Dovray, Minn.—The Dovray Elvtr. Co. is building a feed mill addition. T. E. Ibberson Co. has the contract.

Ashby, Minn.—The Farmers Co-op. Elvtr. Co. elevator was damaged by high winds recently, the loss small.

Garden City, Minn.—The Hubbard & Palmer Co. reported their plants here and at Odin were damaged by recent high winds.

Thief River Falls, Minn.—Charles Kotaska of Greenbush is new manager of the Farmers Co-op. Grain & Seed Ass'n, succeeding Archie Erickson.

Windom, Minn.—A. H. Ohlsen, manager of J. G. Dill Co. elevator, was drowned when his boat capsized on the opening day of the fishing season.

Hendrum, Minn.—R. L. Larson, for four years manager of the Farmers Elevator at Honeyford, N. D., is new manager of the Co-op. Elevator here.

Regal, Minn.—Russell Portinga, proprietor of Russell's Hatchery at Paynesville, Minn., has purchased the local elevator. He will use the structure for storage but during the grain season a man will be stationed at the elevator to purchase grain that is brought in.

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Pipestone, Minn.—William W. Fletcher, 80, at one time engaged in the grain business here, died in Flandreau, S. D., May 14, where he had resided since 1930.

Dobray, Minn.—The Dobray Elvtr. Co. is building a \$7,000 feed mill addition to its plant. The company recently installed a new separator for processing flax seed.

Grove City, Minn.—The Grove City Hemp Mill has started operation. More than 4,000 tons of hemp straw are stacked at the mill with about 2,000 more to be delivered.

Roseau, Minn.—Seth Gavelin resigned as manager of the Northern Seed & Grain Co. elevator and has been succeeded by Ben Glenen, who has been his assistant for several months.

Alden, Minn.—Thos. G. Matyas, of Jackson, Minn., is new manager of the Speltz Grain & Coal Co. He has had 25 years' experience in the grain business, operating his own elevator and feed mill at Jackson until last July. Previously he was manager of the Farmers Elevator at Goodhue, Minn.

Duluth, Minn.—James Norris, Chicago, president of the Norris Grain Co., was recently elected a member of the Duluth Board of Trade, and the firm a corporate member in the Board under the rules and bylaws of the association. The Duluth offices of the company will be located in the Board of Trade building. Quarters have been prepared and will be moved into about June 15. C. C. Blair, Duluth, is the resident manager. F. G. C.

Morris, Minn.—Elevator men have been invited to attend grain schools to be held in 12 Dakota and one Minnesota communities June 19 to July 1. The Minnesota school will be held here June 19. Wheat, durum, barley and oats grading will be discussed in their respective areas. M. L. Armour, extension agronomist, will speak. Harry Milliman, Federal Grain Supervision Office, and H. O. Putnam, Northwest Crop Improvement Ass'n, will assist.

Granite Falls, Minn.—At the recent annual meeting of the Western Grainmen's Ass'n the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George A. Pederson, Ivanhoe; vice-pres., H. G. Forsan, Echo; treas., Ralph T. Harris, Hanley Falls; sec'y, J. R. Rasmussen, Marshall. Jack Brenner, president of the ass'n, acted as chairman of the gathering. Officers of the Renville Chapter of the Future Farmers of America had charge of the opening and closing ceremonies of the evening. O. A. Lande made the welcoming address and Elmer Howland, St. Paul, a member of the Minnesota State A.A.A. com'ite made a talk on the provisions of the federal corn set-aside order. At the close of his remarks he answered a barrage of questions relating to the provisions and operation of the order. At the close of the meeting members of the association and their guests were given tickets which entitled them to refreshments at any of the local cafes.

Glenwood, Minn.—Sale of the Farmers Elevator to James E. Barsness, started over a year ago but delayed because of legal difficulties, has been consummated. Mr. Barsness now has the two local elevators.

St. Paul, Minn.—The 100,000-bu. elevator of Hauser & Sons Malting Co., in South St. Paul's stockyards district, was destroyed by fire June 6. Estimated loss, exclusive of the building's contents, was set at \$50,000. K. W. Hauser, president of the company, said little grain was stored there but several carloads of malt were in the structure.

MINNEAPOLIS LETTER

John Donohue, 80, superintendent of grain elevators here and St. Louis Park for more than 30 years before his retirement, died recently.

Two additional stories are being added to the mill of the Fruen Milling Co. and additional grinding equipment will be installed to almost double its feed capacity.

A pair of old millstones which ground flour used by our pioneer grandmothers was presented to the state of Minnesota June 5 in a ceremony commemorating the 75th anniversary of the founding of Pillsbury Flour Mills Co. Philip W. Pillsbury made the presentation.

Harry J. Butler, who operated the Butler Grain Co. and previously had been identified with the H. Poehler Co. and Atlantic Elvtr. Co., died June 11. Mr. Butler was a veteran in grain brokerage circles, for 40 years active in the trade, and was a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

A conference late May 29 at the local office of C. R. Chalgren, federal labor conciliator, resulted in agreement to postpone the threatened walk-out of grain weighers on June 1. Last minute decisions, based on an assurance attempts would be made to find funds to meet approved wage demands, apparently averted the walkout.—P. J. P.

F. E. LaShelle, Jr., and Charles E. Olson have been appointed vice-presidents of the Larrowe Division of General Mills, Inc. Mr. LaShelle will continue in his duties in charge of sales for the division and also of director of feed sales service of the feed manufacturing divisions for the whole company. Mr. Olson will continue his administrative duties and will be succeeded as comptroller by J. Stewart Wilson.

The Wheat Growers' elevator, recently purchased by the Kellogg Milling Co. and remodeled into a feed grinding plant, has been renamed the Victory Mills. The plant has a grain storage capacity of 150,000 bus. and has equipment to turn out about 500 tons of ground grains daily. A warehouse and packing department have been added. The company is operating the local mill in connection with its plant in St. Paul, which also has a 500 tons daily capacity. William G. Kellogg is partner and general manager of the company.

All grain shipments into the Minneapolis area were stopped June 12 by an embargo on shipments into the Twin City terminal, one of the world's largest. The embargo will remain in effect until a statewide strike of grain weighers, which has tied up movement of grain in 60 elevators, is settled. The embargo was announced shortly after the weighers went out on strike, and went into effect immediately. Movement of grain from six Northwest states into and out of the Twin Cities is affected by the embargo. It was expected between 2,000 and 3,000 cars would be tied up in the Twin City yards within the next few days if the strike was not settled. Approximately 100 members of the State Grain Weighers Union, local No. 603, remained adamant in their demands despite pleas of Gov. Thye and Major Moissele to adjust their wage and hour differences by negotiations and return to work. The governor in a letter to the union said he favored a wage and hour adjustment demanded by the union, but added that he was not in sympathy with the steps taken by the group to enforce its demands. The walkout began June 10 but the full effect of the strike was not felt until June 12, when grain shipments were resumed.

MISSOURI

Higginsville, Mo.—The Dixie Portland Flour Mills is building a new head house. Jones-Hettelsater Const. Co. has the contract.

Monroe City, Mo.—Robert Whittler of Quincy, Ill., has purchased the Monroe Feed Mill from Joe Burditt, who has volunteered for army service.

Anderson, Mo.—B. H. Ragland, proprietor of the Ragland Mill, recently was accepted for army service. His brother stated the mill probably will be closed down.

Sikeston, Mo.—W. Sayers Tanner, 45, employed as a buyer at Scott County Milling Co., and a life-long resident here, died recently, of a heart ailment after an illness of several months.—P. J. P.

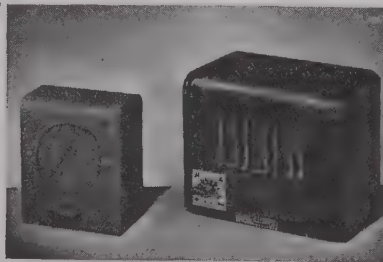
Salem, Mo.—Guy Maledy, manager of the Farmers Exchange for the past ten years, resigned from the position, effective June 1, to take over a position as director of membership relations with the state M.F.A. at Columbia. Woodrow Maze of Jadwin has been named to succeed Mr. Maledy, taking over his new duties June 1.

Tuscomba, Mo.—Mrs. C. B. Wright and her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wright, recently acquired all interest in the Anchor Milling Co. owned by Capt. R. M. Marshall, for many years president of the firm and principal stockholder of the company. In the deal Mr. Marshall was deeded Mrs. Wright's interest in the 314-acre Huenstein river bottom farm just out of town.—P. J. P.

St. Louis, Mo.—Thirty-eight members and guests of the St. Louis Grain Club attended the annual outing and dinner of the club held recently at the Norwood Hills Country Club. A golf tournament preceded the dinner. The following new members were enrolled: James Mulroy, Kurt Horn, Eldred Cayce, Frank B. Waddock, Jules F. Schneider, Francis Barnidge, and C. Robert Pommer. Before the dinner the members stood in silence one minute in respect to the memory of J. M. Fuller, president of the club at the time of his death Mar. 25 of this year, and Ward Brown, former president.

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Mexico, Mo.—The Missouri Farmers Ass'n has authorized the construction of a soybean processing plant and feed mill here, providing local farmers and business men will help finance the project. Proposed investment of M.F.A. in the local plant would be approximately \$400,000, \$100,000 more to be raised in Audrain County, interest free. The M.F.A. would borrow the money from local lenders and it would be paid back to the lenders at the rate of 10 per cent of the net earnings of the plant each year, Maurice Maze, local manager of the M.F.A., said. However, if the money cannot be borrowed from local persons, the soybean processing plant and mill probably will be built at Macon, Mr. Maze stated. If the money can be raised here, construction of the plant will start at once.

KANSAS CITY LETTER

Harold Adams, formerly with Transit Grain Co. at Fort Worth, is now associated with Bates Grain Co. in the merchandising department.

Thos. P. Valentine, 71, for many years a bookkeeper for the Kansas City Board of Trade, died May 13 after a long illness.—P. J. P.

Ralph G. Martin, who recently resigned from Mensendieck Grain Co., is devoting his entire time to the Cook Chemical Co., of which he is general manager.

Work on repairing the Commander Larabee Mfg. Co. bins and elevator, damaged by dust explosion, is progressing. Elevating capacity of the elevator is being increased and 100,000 bus. of storage is being added. The Jones-Hettelsater Const. Co., has the contract.

James L. DeJarnette, superintendent of the Continental Baking Co. elevator here, was elected President of the Kansas City chapter of the Society of Grain Elevator Supts. John Blowers, superintendent of the Wyandotte elevator, Standard Milling Co., was elected sec'y-treas. of the chapter.

J. F. Leahy, local grain man, recently was presented a scroll expressing appreciation of his services thru 1942 and 1943 as chairman of National Grain Trade Council, which represents all of the leading grain exchanges in legislative and other national matters. Frank A. Theis, president vice-chairman of the national organization, with the directors of the Kansas City Board of Trade in attendance, presented the plaque.

James L. DeJarnette, mill superintendent of Continental Baking Co.'s plant, steps into the presidency of the Society of Grain Elvtr. Superintendent's Kansas City Chapter, succeeding O. B. Duncan, superintendent of the Salina Terminal Elvtr. Co. The election was held at the chapter's recent monthly meeting. John Blowers, superintendent of the Wyandotte Elevator of the Standard Milling Co., succeeds Jim Kier of the same company, as secretary-treasurer.

MONTANA

Baker, Mont.—Repairs on the local Farmers' elevator necessitated by the garage explosion of several weeks ago have been completed by the Victor Const. Co. at a cost of \$4,900.

Denton, Mont.—Rollie Emch of McLaughlin, S. D., has succeeded J. E. Guston as manager of the Farmers Co-op. Elevator. Mr. Gustin recently resigned and has moved to Kalispell.

Westby, Mont.—A 10,000-bu. grain bin, one of three near the Osborne-McMillan Elvtr. Co. elevator, containing about 7,000 bus. of wheat, burst May 13, badly damaging the other two bins, which were empty, the driveway and part of the elevator building.

Kalispell, Mont.—J. E. Gustin, manager of the Farmers Co-op. Elevator for many years and for the past seven years also mayor of Denton, recently resigned both positions effective June 1, to accept the position of manager of the Kalispell Feed & Grain Co.

Laurel, Mont.—An addition to the Hageman Elvtr. Co. elevator is under construction, to house a steam roller unit for processing livestock feed. Operating capacity will be 300 bus. per hour, B. B. Hageman, manager, stated. It is expected to have the new unit installed by early fall.

Roundup, Mont.—The Roundup Elevator has been sold to a Minneapolis firm by L. H. Palmer, who has owned it since July, 1943. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer will leave for Harvey, N. D., where he is owner of the Harvey Elevator, F. F. Bayer, manager, having been called to military service.

Glasgow, Mont.—Construction of the Farmers Grain & Elvtr Co. has started. Permanent officers of the new organization are: Sidney Cotton, chairman; Peter Breigenzer, vice-chairman; Ben Boreson, sec'y-treas. Charles Petranek, contractor, has a crew dismantling the Nashua Elevator to move the material and machinery here. When completed, a 40,000-bu. capacity house will be in operation. It is planned to have the elevator ready for the present harvest.

NEBRASKA

Murray, Neb.—The Robinson Grain Co. is repairing its elevator.

Grand Island, Neb.—Harold W. Friesman, 30, an employee of the Nebraska Consolidated Milling Co., died unexpectedly May 19.

Steele City, Neb.—Continental Grain Co. purchased the grain elevator formerly owned by the Steele City Farmers Co-op. Ass'n.

Orchard, Neb.—A 24-ft. cement driveway has been built at the Farmers Union Elevator and the roof raised to accommodate large trucks.

Beatrice, Neb.—Black Bros. have opened a warehouse here for the mill's complete line of stock and poultry feeds, in charge of Ray Pierson, Clarence Moiser and Truman Keer.

Winnetoon, Neb.—Fred French of Ashland, Wis., is assisting his brother, Walter French, at the latter's feed store. Walter has not been in good health and will undergo an operation.

Gothenburg, Neb.—Owen Sicklebower is new manager of the local dehydration plant of the Denver Alfalfa Mill & Produce Co. C. E. Swink, manager of the company's Cozad plant, has been in charge of construction and local operations.

Lincoln, Neb.—A total of 1,500 Mexican Nationals has been allotted to Nebraska for work in sugar beets, potato picking and possibly hybrid corn detasseling, beginning May 28.—P. J. P.

Lincoln, Neb.—The Safety Code adopted Apr. 21, applying to present as well as new installations on manlifts, became effective June 1. This ruling will be enforced thru the State Dept. of Labor.

Verdon, Neb.—The Moray Processing Co. has been organized, to process farm products; capitalized at \$25,000; incorporators: Wiley W. Minier, Jr., Salem; Roland Ownes and Ned Ray, both of Verdon.

Pawnee City, Neb.—Herman Busch, who has been assistant manager of the Continental Grain Co. elevator here, has assumed the duties of manager, succeeding Edward Kenny who was transferred to Morrowville, Kan.

Schuyler, Neb.—The Schuyler Milling Co. recently installed a new Fairbanks Scale and made alterations on its elevator office to accommodate more customers and increase the efficiency of its service to patrons.

Avoca, Neb.—We are having the siding re-nailed on our North building and the South building painted. The I.C.C. has denied the application of the Missouri-Pacific to abandon its line thru this part of the country.—Marquardt Grain Co., Fred Marquardt.

Ithaca, Neb.—The Farmers Union Co-op. Ass'n has amended and substituted articles of incorporation for the Farmers Co-op. Grain Co., under which latter name it will operate. The general nature of the business to be transacted is the marketing, selling, harvesting, preserving, drying, processing, canning, packing, storing, handling, or utilization of any agricultural products produced or delivered to it by its members or others. A. H. Eichmeier is president.

Oakdale, Neb.—J. W. McNeil of Kansas City and W. W. Randle of Oakdale, have purchased the Oakdale Mill from Carlisle Boyes. They took possession June 10 and will operate as the Oakdale Elvtr. Co., with the exception of the Mill warehouse and feed manufacturing machinery which Mr. Boyes will retain until Aug. 1, to enable him to dispose of all feed stocks on hand. He stated he will volunteer for service in the armed forces upon completion of his business here. The new owners plan to continue operation of the mill and elevator.

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Grand Island, Neb.—In an uncontested suit for damages against E. R. Meyers, Lee-Myers Feed & Seed Co., and George House, Christ Johnson, Jr., a minor, and his father have been awarded judgment for \$450 in the Hall County Court. Young Johnson was injured in an automobile collision Sept. 16, 1943 involving a car driven by George House for the Lee-Myers Feed & Seed Co.

Trenton, Neb.—A 20x40 ft. frame and galvanized addition is being built on the west side of the Trenton Co-op. Oil & Grain Co. elevator to house feed grinding and mixing equipment which will enable the elevator to specialize in custom grinding and mixing. D. D. Penner, manager, stated a new grinder, one-ton mixer and corn cutter and grader will be installed. It is hoped to have the new machinery in operation this month.

OMAHA LETTER

William George Pringle, 57, district sales manager here for the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Co., died June 3 following a five weeks' illness.—B. I. B.

Claude Callen has been appointed manager of the James E. Bennett & Co.'s local office, succeeding C. W. Hinzle, who resigned to become editor of the Omaha Daily Price Current.

Fred Nuzum, formerly manager for the Hart-Bartlett-Sturtevant Grain Co. at Nebraska City, is in charge of the office recently opened in the Grain Exchange Building by that firm.

Charles H. Zukerman has been transferred from the Continental Grain Co., Winnipeg office to the office of vice-pres. of the Omaha branch. Adolph Mayer is manager of the Continental here.

NEW JERSEY

Clifton, N. J.—The death of Supervising Inspector Carl R. Melcher on May 31 came as a great shock to his many friends in the trade. His amiable character and integrity won a wide circle of friends among his associates in both hay and grain trade. His hobby was boat building. His appointment as Hay Inspector and Weigher dates back to Aug. 20, 1908.

NEW MEXICO

Tucumcari, N. M.—Kenneth I. Langley, Melrose, N. M., recently purchased the Light Grain & Milling Co. elevator and has taken over active ownership and management of the business under the name of Langley Grain & Feed Co.

Portales, N. M.—The Portales Milling Co. will build a grain elevator 146 ft. high with a capacity of 180,000 bus. of grain on the lots adjoining its property, recently acquired from the Slaten Coal Co. in a trade for Portales Milling Co.'s two lots facing Main St. Clarence Worley has the contract and will start work on construction as soon as the W.P.B. approves construction. The new elevator will be equipped with grain cleaners of 1,000 bus. per hour capacity; it will be able to load three railroad cars or unload 25 trucks at the same time. It will operate under government supervision. The company also will remodel some of its present buildings upon completion of the new elevator. The company's present capacity is about 30,000 bus.

NEW YORK

Buffalo, N. Y.—Miss Jane C. Spaulding, one of four girls chosen for sales training by Cargill, Inc., has the distinction of being Buffalo's first woman grain salesman. Miss Spaulding was formerly from Abedeen, S. D., and has always been interested in growing grain, she stated, but when she started to work she admits she knew what wheat, corn, barley and oats looked like, but that was about all. She learned by working with crack salesmen, she explained, each a specialist in a certain grain.

Palmyra, N. Y.—David B. Levis property was damaged by high winds recently.

Leicester, N. Y.—Improvements at the Geo. W. Blodgett Elevator include the installation of a G. E. Super-Cleaner, a brush machine, and bean packaging machinery.

New York, N. Y.—The following new officers of the New York Section, American Ass'n of Cereal Chemists, were elected at the section's last meeting of the season, held recently: J. H. Karrh, chairman; G. D. Dalby, vice-chairman; George Kirkby, sec'y treas. Dr. M. L. Anson, director of biochemical research, Continental Foods, Inc., Hoboken, N. J., was the principal speaker on the program. His subject was "Protein Denaturation and the Properties of Protein Sulfur Groups."

NORTH DAKOTA

Sharon, N. D.—O. N. Jacobson is new manager of the Sharon Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Napoleon, N. D.—Christian Munsch, 62, retired elevator man, died recently. Burial was at Artas, S. D.

Blanchard, N. D.—The Farmers Union Grain Terminal Ass'n elevator here is being completely overhauled.

Harlow, N. D.—A. B. Hoganson is new manager of the Farmers Union Elevator, succeeding C. M. Abrahamson.

Honeyford, N. D.—B. Johnson has succeeded R. L. Larson as manager of the Farmers Elevator. Mr. Johnson formerly was located at Kelly.

Hickson, N. D.—The Equity Elvtr. & Trading Co. has been enrolled as a new member in the Farmers Grain Dealers Ass'n of South Dakota.

Grand Forks, N. D.—Tax litigation between the State Mill & Elevator and the United States bureau of internal revenue at Grand Forks has been settled in favor of the mill.—P. J. P.

Berlin, N. D.—Allen Hoffmeyer is new manager of the Farmers Union Elevator. He succeeds George McNally, who now is manager of the Wheatland, N. D. Farmers Union Grain Co.

Velva, N. D.—Edward Dolan, who has been in charge of elevators at Hartland, N. D., for several years, is manager of the Velva Farmers Union Elevator, succeeding Arthur Ness, who resigned.

Wheatland, N. D.—George McNally, formerly manager of the Farmers Union Elevator at Berlin, N. D., is new manager of the local Farmers Union, having succeeded Paul Schilling who resigned.

Gladstone, N. D.—John J. Loh, manager of the Farmers Union Elevator since it opened for business in 1931, resigned recently and will move to Los Angeles. Matt Bayer, field man for the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Co. of St. Paul, and John G. Willer assumed the duties as manager.

Woodworth, N. D.—Christ Neumann recently resigned his position as manager of the Farmers Grain Co. elevator, Golden Valley, N. D., and accepted the position as local agent for the Peavey Elevators. The local elevator in addition to grain handles coal, cordwood and farm machinery repairs.

Minto, N. D.—The Grain Growers Co-op. Elvtr. Co. of Minto has changed its name to Farmers Co-op. Elvtr. Co. of Minto. This formerly was a stock company; under the new name it will operate on a patronage basis. W. D. Hanrahan is manager of the elevator, which has been in business for 35 years.

Hillsboro, N. D.—Extensive repairs and improvements are being made here at the F.U.G.T.A. elevator, St. Anthony branch. Carpenters are enlarging the grain dump and repairing the scale. Louis Wavra, manager, said contractors have been here getting measurements for a 50,000-bu. annex which will be built just north of the existing structure. The addition will double the capacity.

Devils Lake, N. D.—The Woodworth Elevator is under construction.

Wolcott, N. D.—The Frederickson Elevator was damaged by high winds on May 24.

Grenora, N. D.—The Grenora Farmers Elvtr. Co. reported its elevator was damaged by high winds on May 23.

Dawson, N. D.—The Russell-Miller Milling Co. plants here and at Tappen were damaged by recent high winds.

Underwood, N. D.—W. C. Adams, manager of the local Farmers Elevator for the past 10 years, resigned his position, effective June 1.

Lansford, N. D.—The new feed mill run in connection with the J. B. Wolf Independent Elevator has been formally opened here. It replaces the old mill that burned last January.

Jamestown, N. D.—The Peterson-Biddick Co. elevator was partially destroyed by fire June 1. A quantity of grain, feed and seed was stored in the structure. B. A. Beach is manager. The remainder of the plant was not damaged.

Hillsboro, N. D.—John H. Olson, who has been affiliated with the Equity Elevator & Trading Co. for the past 27 years, has resigned to take effect July 1 and will be succeeded by Alfred Overmoe, for 14 years manager of the Eldorado Elevator & Trading Co. at Taft.

Tunbridge, N. D.—Benjamin Sollin, formerly assistant manager of the Farmers Union Elevator No. 1 at Rugby, has replaced Roy Gunderson as manager of the Farmers Elevator here. Mr. Gunderson has accepted a position as manager of an elevator at Comstock, Minn.

Hatton, N. D.—Even Evenson of Cummings, N. D., has been transferred to Hatton to manage the local Peavey Elevator, succeeding the late Oscar E. Thurnau. Mr. Evenson has been with Peavey Elevators for the past eleven years, during which time he has managed the Cummings elevator.

Gardner, N. D.—The Farmers Grain Co. of Grandin, operating two elevators here, has just completed extensive repairs on its main local plant, the T. E. Ibberson Co. doing the work. G. W. Reynolds who managed this plant for 29 years expects to retire July 1. His successor as yet has not been selected.

Driscoll, N. D.—Thorvale Siem, Braddock, and H. B. Hanson, Steele, have taken over the business of the Driscoll Grain Co. This company has been in the grain business for the past 30 years. There have been various owners, Atwood Larson Co., Minneapolis, being a recent owner. Mr. Siem has lived near and in Driscoll for the past 33 years and at one time was manager of the local Farmers Equity Elevator.



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Erie, N. D.—R. F. Gunkelman, Wilbur Gates, and Frank E. Cormack recently organized the Erie Grain Co. This company purchased the Bolmeier Bros. elevator and will conduct a general grain, feed, seed, and coal business here. W. A. Bolmeier, who has managed the Bolmeier elevator for the past 27 years, has not as yet made definite plans for the future.

Jamestown, N. D.—Grain schools will be held in North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota from June 19 to July 1. Those scheduled for North Dakota are as follows: June 23, Jamestown; June 24, Fargo; June 26, Grand Forks; June 27, Devils Lake; June 28, Rugby; June 29, Minot; June 30, Dickinson; July 1, Mandan. Elevator men have been invited to attend, discussions on grain handling and production problems to be held. Wheat, durum, barley and oats grading will be studied in their respective areas. William J. Leary, extension agronomist will speak, and Harry Millman, Federal Grain Supervision Office, and H. O. Putnam, Northwest Crop Improvement Ass'n, will assist at all meetings, other speakers including assistants from state Extension Services in the states where the meetings will be held.

OHIO

Carroll, O.—The Carroll Elvtr. Co. property was damaged by high winds recently.

Portsmouth, O.—The P. H. Harsha Milling Co. reported a damage loss as the result of high winds on May 23.

Pittsburg, O.—N. A. Niswonger, 74, retired grain dealer, died at his home in West Milton recently. Death was due to a heart attack. Mr. Niswonger as a prominent and successful grain dealer operated elevators at Thackery, Dawn and here, this being his last interest. He retired in 1923.

Sabina, O.—Richard Dewine, manager of the Dewine & Hamma elevator for the last three years, will be inducted into the army on July 1. The elevator was sold at public auction on June 1. Previous to being acquired by Dewine & Hamma, the elevator was operated for 40 years by W. B. Rapp, who died three years ago.

OKLAHOMA

Olustee, Okla.—The Uhlmann Grain Co. has purchased the Tom Moore elevators.

Nowata, Okla.—The Whitford Grain Co. sustained a fire loss recently, probably due to a short circuit.

Laverne, Okla.—The Kimball Milling Co. has repaired its elevator and has installed a new blower, George Dain, local manager, stated.

Lawton, Okla.—The Farmers Union Co-op. Exchange has had its charter extended; term of existence extended 20 years from May 17, '44; capital stock, \$50,000.—P. J. P.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—The Shannon Feed Co. has added a 26-ft. steel trailer to its fleet of 37 units operating in Oklahoma. It is designed to carry 10 to 12 tons of feed.

Yukon, Okla.—T. A. Kroutil recently sprained his back while working at the Yukon Mill & Grain Co. mill and was given treatment at McBride's Hospital, Oklahoma City.

Okarche, Okla.—The Continental Grain Co. recently purchased the grain elevator formerly owned by Harry Hunter and is building a warehouse, installing feed grinding and mixing equipment, and erecting an office.

Woodward, Okla.—The Oklahoma Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n held a district meeting at the Community building May 24. Ben Feunquay, president, and Ed Humphrey, sec'y, of the association were present and spoke.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—B. D. Eddie, of the Superior Feed Mills, will be appointed a member of the board of state regents of higher education to succeed W. E. Harvey, Ada, whose term has expired, Governor Kerr recently announced.

Pond Creek, Okla.—O. L. Caple, local grain man and elevator owner, was injured May 17 when he fell 25 ft. inside the Pond Creek Elvtr. Co. elevator, striking a ladder which threw his body to the side preventing him from landing in the elevator pit. X-rays disclosed two broken ribs.

Enid, Okla.—E. N. Puckett, manager of the Union Equity Co-op. Exchange, and well known thruout the wheat growing belt, was the recipient of an honorary degree of doctor of business administration, conferred by the John Brown University of Siloam Springs, Ark., at the commencement exercises held there May 24.

Shawnee, Okla.—A suit asking \$15,000 damages against the Shawnee Milling Co. and Warren Phillips has been filed by Maggie Spencer for injuries allegedly sustained Feb. 2, 1944, in a collision between a Shawnee Milling Co. truck, driven by Phillips, and the automobile driven by plaintiff. In the accident she claims to have received serious and permanent injuries, and charges the accident was caused by negligence of the defendants.

Enid, Okla.—New members recently enrolled in the Oklahoma Grain & Feed Dealers Ass'n include the following: H. M. Cope, Hammon; J. A. Allums, Dill City; V. J. Zobisch, Geary; Cope Flour & Feed Co., Chickasha; Lee Shorter, Shorter Elevator, Nash, Okla., and Cargill, Inc., Kansas City, Mo.—E. R. Humphrey, sec'y.

El Reno, Okla.—Dan Dorsey, negro, received a head injury when a compressed air tank on the working floor of the Farmers Mill & Grain Co. elevator, exploded May 19, hurling him against a wall. Three other men nearby escaped injury. The compressor valve on the air tank is believed to have stuck, causing the tank to explode.

Alva, Okla.—Mrs. Lizzie Share, pioneer Alva woman, was given the honor of turning over the first spadefull of earth when ground was broken for start of construction of the million-bushel terminal elevator recently. It is expected between four and five months will be required to complete the structure. W. P. Snyder is construction superintendent.

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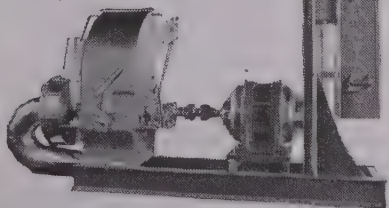
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Erick, Okla.—The Hill & Eatherly Grain Co. elevator has been completed, the new structure having a capacity of about 75,000 bus. of grain and representing an expenditure of approximately \$8,000. Fay Eatherly of Erick and Clyde Hill of Altus are owners. Machinery and other equipment are being installed. The elevator is located on the site of the Hall elevator which burned.

Yukon, Okla.—Coleman Yelton, 36, an electrician, was killed instantly in a fall of about 100 ft. while engaged in pulling a sign to the top of the Yukon Mill & Grain Co. elevator May 18. The sign had been blown down and was hanging over the east side of the structure. It had been hauled to within a few feet of the top of the building when Mr. Yelton became overbalanced and fell to the ground below.

Waurika, Okla.—The Groseclose Grain Co. elevator, owned and operated by Frank Groseclose since the death of his father, M. C. Groseclose, former owner, burned the night of May 16. The fire started in the south part of the structure, believed to have been caused by an electric motor that became hot while being used in the afternoon, possibly causing insulation to be burned from wiring. A small amount of sacked food was removed from the burning structure, but the remainder of the elevator's contents was destroyed. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Eugene, Ore.—The stock of the Willis H. Small Feed Co. was damaged by fire on May 19.

Wilbur, Wash.—The Graingrowers Warehouse Co. charter has been amended, increasing capital to \$100,000.

Oakesdale, Wash.—The Inland Empire Pea Growers Ass'n's 100,000-bu. pea elevator and processing plant will be finished in time for crop this fall.—F. K. H.

Moscow, Ida.—Washington-Idaho Wheat League at its fifth annual mid-year meeting discussed wheat, grass and forage rotations and management practices, with discussions led by Dr. K. H. Klages of the University of Idaho.—F. K. H.

Corvallis, Ore.—We are getting our feed plant in shape again after losing our plant by fire last July, but would advise others to delay until after the war as it is quite expensive, and competent men and material are hard to get.—Benton Mill & Whs. Co., A. W. Fischer, mgr.

Pendleton, Ore.—Remodeling and machine replacements completed at an estimated cost of \$50,000, the former Walters' Flower Mills idle for the past two years and recently purchased by Kerr, Gifford & Co., is now running at full capacity, 600 bbls. a day. J. J. Bauer is district manager. Included in the improvements is an increase in the bulk storage of wheat from 20,000 to 70,000 bus. Kerr-Gifford also owns the mill at Helix (Ore.) which manufactures 450 bbls. of White King flour a day for southeastern shipment. Both mills are on a 24-hr. basis, operated from the Pendleton office with N. W. Caldwell as mill superintendent for both plants.—F. K. H.

Lewiston, Ida.—The Pacific Northwest Grain Dealers Ass'n, Inc., will hold its annual convention here at Lewis-Clark Hotel June 16, and for the occasion an extraordinary program of top-flight speakers has been arranged. Headlining it are P. H. O'Brien, pres., Chicago Board of Trade; C. A. Bottolfsen, governor of Idaho; H. E. Sanford, head of feed section, O.P.A., Washington, D. C.; and Paul R. Trigg, treas., Montana Flour Mills Co. Representatives of the Office of Defense Transportation and of the War Manpower Commission, also are expected to attend and take part in the program. General assemblies, com'ite meetings, special discussions and election of officers will be held during the day.

Monroe, Wash.—Vic Wolfkill of the Wolfkill Feed & Seed Co., was pleasantly surprised by an unexpected visit by his son, Capt. Jack Wolfkill, recently. Capt. Wolfkill came by plane from Columbus, O. He completed his mission over Germany and other enemy country before he was 21 years old, and had the distinction of being the youngest man in the army air service to accomplish this mission. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Oak Leaf Cluster, and other honors. He will be stationed at Lincoln, Neb., and will be instructor on a B-17, also looking after a flight squadron. Byron Rarey, formerly manager of the Wolfkill Feed & Seed Co., is stationed with the Marine Corps in San Diego where he is undergoing an intense training program.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Dell Rapids, S. D.—The Gillette Elevator sustained a small amount of damage from recent high winds.

Philip, S. D.—The Union Marketing Ass'n has changed its name to Farmers Elevator Co. M. F. Peirce is manager.

Lemmon, S. D.—E. J. Ziltz has sold his local elevator interests to parties from Linton, N. D., who will take possession July 1.

Hecla, S. D.—Mr. Ask is new manager of the Hecla Co-operative Elevator Co. elevator, succeeded E. C. Wheelock, resigned.

Sturgis, S. D.—The Sturgis Lumber & Grain Co. shed burned early June 6 with a loss estimated at \$10,000 by Fred P. Hampton, manager.

McIntosh, S. D.—Everett Wheelock of Hecla is new manager of the Equity Exchange elevator, taking over his new duties June 1. He succeeds Orval Larson.

Lyons, S. D.—The St. Anthony & Dakota Division of the Farmers Union G.T.A. has purchased the Lyons Elevator. Nels Christopherson is the new local agent.

Parkston, S. D.—E. E. Winn, for the past nine years manager of an elevator at Presho, S. D., has purchased the Wudel & Friedrich elevator here and will take possession July 1.

Howard, S. D.—William Sheeley has sold his elevator and business to the Peavey Elevators who took possession on June 1. Mr. Sheeley, who has operated the elevator continuously for the past 30 years, will retire from active business.

Oldham, S. D.—A. W. Anton has resigned as manager of the local Farmers Union Elevator and has been succeeded by Mike Dahlen, who has served as second man under him. Mr. Anton recently purchased an elevator at White Lake, S. D.

Mobridge, S. D.—Owners of the Glenham (S. D.) Equity Exchange have purchased from the Brown Estate the W. E. Kurlie elevator here, formerly known as the Farmers Elevator, and will take possession Aug. 1, when the Kurlie contract expires.

Big Stone, S. D.—The Otto W. Kuderling Co. (elevator) firm name has been changed to the A. J. Snyder Co. Mr. Snyder has been associated with the enterprise since 1919 and has been in sole control of the business for the past five years. He will continue buying grain and selling fuel at the elevator just as he has done for more than 20 years, he said.

Aberdeen, S. D.—We have had inquiries from several firms regarding the employment of children and the laws relating thereto. A short summary of the South Dakota statutes relating to the employment of children follows: "Children under 16 shall not be employed for more than ten hours in any day or fifty-four hours in any week. (Does not apply to farm laborers, domestic servants, etc.) Children under 16 must attend school as required by law or file literacy certificate from county superintendent of schools. Children under 14 may not be employed during hours when public schools are in session and in no case after seven p. m.—Clifton Anderson, sec'y, Farmers Elevator Ass'n of S. D.

Geddes, S. D.—Ludwig Jensen, recently honorably discharged from the army after 31 months' service, may succeed L. L. Penning as manager of the Geddes Grain Co. elevator, Mr. Penning having resigned to become manager of an elevator at Jefferson, S. D.

Bryant, S. D.—Matt Kruse has resigned from his position as manager of the St. Anthony & Dakota Elevator Co. in order to devote his entire time to the conduct of the Kruse Implement Co. Wilbur (Dick) Teska, recently with the Farmers Elevator, has succeeded him as manager of the elevator.

Brookings, S. D.—A series of grain schools have been arranged to be held in South Dakota, North Dakota and Minnesota June 19 to July 1. South Dakota schools have been planned as follows: June 20, Brookings; June 21, Watertown; June 22, Aberdeen. Elevator men have been invited to attend. Wheat, durum, barley and oats grading will be discussed in their respective areas. Personnel at the meetings will include assistants from state Extension Services in states where meetings are held. Dr. F. G. Butcher, extension entomologist and plant pathologist will speak as will also Harry Millman, Federal Grain Supervision Office, and H. O. Putnam, Northwest Crop Improvement Ass'n.

SOUTHEAST

Jacksonville, Fla.—Walter Austin Grovenstein, Sr., died at his home June 5 after a long illness. He had at various times been associated with the Williamson Feed Co. and the Valdosta Milling Co. among other companies.—P. J. P.

Jacksonville, Fla.—L. W. Howard, formerly manager of the southeastern division of the Farm Service Stores, which was operated under the name of the Howard Grain Co., has organized his own company, to be known as the Howard Feed Mills, Inc. He has acquired a large local warehouse and is installing complete feed equipment.

Oklahoma, Miss.—The local plant of the Consolidated Products Co. began the manufacture of hog and poultry feed May 17. Five whey storage tanks of 5,000-gal. capacity each have been installed. The 150 h.p. boiler, which burns fuel oil, is a colander type vacuum pan and consumes 400 gals. per hour. The whey is brought to the plant in the raw stage and evaporated to 50 per cent solid. The feed is packed in 500-lb. barrels. R. E. Toole, manager, stated local farmers will be supplied and the remainder shipped East. The Consolidated Products Co., with home office in Danville, Ill., operates 64 plants, this being the only one in the South.

TEXAS

Dallas, Tex.—Henry H. Cate, vice-pres. of the Tex-O-Kan Flour Mills Co., recently underwent an operation at St. Paul's Hospital. He is making excellent recovery.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Fort Worth on June 5 received 25 cars of new wheat, all No. 1 hard and dark testing 61 to 63.4 lbs., 12.3 to 15.2 per cent moisture and ranging 10.60 to 15 per cent protein.

Amarillo, Tex.—Porter Holmes, for several years cashier of the Burrus Panhandle Elevators here, has been appointed manager to succeed June Davis, who recently resigned to engage in business for himself.

Groom, Tex.—The grain division of Farmers Grain & Implement was set apart and incorporated under the name of Ludwig Elevators, Inc., on June 1. Stockholders and officers of the new corporation remain the same as in the old corporation.

Tahoka, Tex.—V. F. Jones, former county agent of Lynn County and recently resigned as county agent of Lamb County, is building a 20,000-bu. elevator here on trackage east of the Santa Fe railroad. Mr. Jones will move here with his family from Amherst about July 1.

Uvalde, Tex.—C. E. Winn, bookkeeper and salesman with the Graves Lumber & Hdw. Co. for 16 years, recently resigned his position and has purchased a half interest in the Heard Grain Co. Curtis Heard, who founded the company and has operated it for several years, has entered the armed forces. Mr. Winn will conduct the business in his absence.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Raymond Murrell has been added to the grain division staff of the Transit Grain Co., where he will act as assistant buyer. With the exception of the past three years which he has spent in the civilian personnel division of the Office of Sec'y of War, Mr. Murrell's entire business career has been connected with the grain industry. He has served in the past as president of the Western Grain Dealers Ass'n and as a director of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n.

Bishop, Tex.—The Bishop Milling Co. is building an elevator and drier, construction to be pushed as rapidly as possible, John A. Wuensche, general manager of the company, announced. The new elevator will be of steel and concrete construction with latest model Hess drier. It replaces the elevator destroyed by fire last July. The new structure will be as near fireproof as it is possible to build. Faster loading and unloading facilities and the new drier will increase the grain handling capacity of the new plant considerably over the old one. In addition to the elevator a large front warehouse and an unloading driveway under steel roofed shed will be included in the new plant. The elevator building will be 28 x 30 ft., with bins 36 ft. high, and above this will be the cupola 33 ft. high, the whole structure rising 69 ft. from the ground level. There will be a basement 12 ft. deep under the elevator leg. The warehouse in front of the elevator will be 28 x 78 ft., with concrete floor and steel walls and roof. On the east side will be the unloading pit for incoming grain, and driveway, this covered by a steel shed 14 x 30 ft. Gail Tubbs is in charge of construction.

WISCONSIN

Greenleaf, Wis.—Knauf & Tesch Co. reported high winds damaged its property recently.

Madison, Wis.—Mail addressed to the Modern Grain Co. has been returned by the post office marked "out of business."

Avalon, Wis.—The fourth story of the Avalon mill is being constructed. When the 20-ft cupola is on it will be the highest building in Avalon and one of the finest feed mills in this part of the state.

Gratiot, Wis.—The Gratiot Feed & Fuel Co., owned by Fred Hartwig, of Monroe, and operated by William Burke, Gratiot, has been purchased by the Smith Lumber Co. of Freeport. Possession was taken June 1.

Milwaukee, Wis.—William Eiteneier, 74, a grain broker here for 58 years, died at St. Mary's Hospital May 29. Mr. Eiteneier entered the grain business when he was 16 and remained active in it until he became ill last November.

Rockdale, Wis.—J. B. Turnbull, 79, whose son, Roland, was killed in an accident in the Rockdale flour mill they owned, two weeks before, died May 15 at his home here, following a short illness of pneumonia. Mr. Turnbull came here in March, 1895, and took over the management of the mill which he bought in 1916. In 1921 his son, Roland, became a part owner of the plant.

Beloit, Wis.—Seed and grain dealers were called to a meeting held here May 15, arranged by the price panel of the Rock County War Price and Ration Board under the chairmanship of William J. Tucker. The meeting was conducted by Gordon Gregg, Milwaukee, district office official, and C. E. Rupp, price capitalist had charge of an open forum following the session, answering questions. Bulletin MPR-378, "Markups for the Principal Regulations," was available at the meeting.

Mondovi, Wis.—A. A. Blumentritt, proprietor of the Gilmanon Mill, is remodeling part of his feed mill for a hardware store.

Milwaukee, Wis.—The government's industrial alcohol program calling for approximately 632,000,000 gals. of alcohol in 1944, is heavily taxing the production facilities of the Froedtert Grain & Malting Co., Inc., Kurtis R. Froedtert, chairman of the board and president of the company, announced, and this production pressure together with demand for malt for other uses has forced the firm to suspend export trade for an indefinite period. He reported that the company has shipped more malt during the month of May than any previous 30-day period in its history.

The Supreme Court of the United States ruled May 15 that a company outside of Arkansas was not required to pay the state's 2 per cent sales tax on orders obtained by solicitors, or by telephone and mail.

Linseed Meal Advisory Committee

The O.P.A. has appointed a linseed meal industry advisory committee representing the 25 plants in operation, composed of Victor A. Acer, vice-pres., Spencer Kellogg & Sons, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y.; John H. Gillen, director of Linseed Oil Division, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.; S. B. Coolidge, Jr., manager, Auxiliaries Department, Sherwin-Williams Co., Cleveland, O.; J. A. Johansen, manager, National Lead Co., New York; G. W. Brown, Brown Linseed Co., Port Richmond, N. Y.; A. L. Bisbee, vice-pres., Bisbee Linseed Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; George A. Smith, manager, Linseed Oil Meal Department, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., Minneapolis, Minn.; V. Wurtele, pres., Minnesota Linseed Oil Paint Co., Minneapolis, Minn.; B. T. Rocca, pres. and general manager, Pacific Vegetable Oil Corp., San Francisco, Cal.



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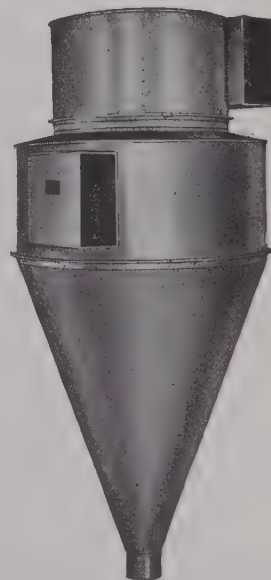
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Field Seeds

Johnston, Ia.—The Pioneer Hi-Bred Corn Co. will let contract for construction of a laboratory building.

Detroit, Mich.—Wm. T. Radcliffe died May 17, aged 89 years. For more than 70 years he had been employed by the Ferry-Morse Seed Co. and its predecessors.

Urbana, Ill.—The Illinois Seed Dealers Ass'n will hold a meeting June 30 at the University of Illinois. Retailers and wholesalers are invited by Pres. D. D. De Forest of Galesburg.

North Platte, Neb.—The De Kalb Agricultural Ass'n has purchased 38 acres for \$7,500 for a hybrid seed corn drying plant. The Ass'n has contracted for 1,200 acres of seed corn.

Ralston, Neb.—The Omaha Seed Co. has been incorporated with \$100,000 capital stock, by John W. Nicolson, Shenandoah, Ia., Christine M. Paulsen and Arthur A. Henneman, Omaha.

Grinnell, Ia.—The Ahrens Hybrid Seed Corn Co. will build a 75-ft. elevator and sorting building. Later four drying bins of 50,000 bus. capacity will be built, and a second story on the office building.

Salem, Ore.—Harley O. White, wholesale seed dealer and former mayor of Salem, was hospitalized today as result of a gunshot wound. His assailant was remanded to the city jail for hearing. Two bullets entered the victim's body. It is reported he will recover.—F. K. H.

Junction City, Ore.—The Willamette Valley Seed Co. has purchased the business of Roy Kennedy & Sons. The new company has \$50,000 capital stock, Donald R. Husband, pres.; Theona N. Jessen, sec'y, and J. C. Jansen, treas. and general manager.

Concordia, Kan.—Geo. Bowman, pres. and founder of the Bowman Seed Co., died May 12 after four years of inactivity due to a paralytic stroke. A branch was established at Superior, Neb. He is survived by his wife and three sons, one of whom, John, is with the company.

Hollister, Cal.—To replace the building burned in November at a loss of \$200,000 the Waldo Rohnert Co. will let contract for two buildings of reinforced concrete, one 144x143, four stories high, and the other a warehouse, 145x109 ft. The seed handling capacity will be 25 tons per day.

Seed Movement in May

Receipts and shipments of seeds at the various markets during May, 1944, compared with May, 1943, in bushels, except where otherwise indicated, were:

	FLAXSEED		Shipments	
	Receipts		1944	1943
Chicago	200,000	71,000	6,000	.....
Minneapolis	613,500	813,000	123,000	333,000
Omaha	3,000	.....	3,000	.....
Superior	103,266	30,522	190,189	289,733
KAFIR AND MILO				
Hutchinson	13,000	23,400	.....	.....
Kansas City	64,750	169,400	316,750	109,200
St. Joseph	.....	7,120	26,700	.....
St. Louis	339,600	111,000	313,600	5,600
Wichita	33,600	3,200	48,000	3,200
CLOVER				
Chicago, lbs.	.....	.....	.....	30,000
Milwaukee, lbs.	25,235	8,095	3,030	.....
TIMOTHY				
Chicago, lbs.	91,000	606,000	.....	491,000
Milwaukee, lbs.	465,140	220,440	8,715	.....
CANE SEED				
Ft. Worth	11,000	31,900	3,300	16,500
Hutchinson	3,900	1,300	.....	.....
Kansas City	1,400	2,800	600	3,600

Mason City, Ia.—L. V. Lee of Sac City will remove to Mason City and open a seed store as the Lee Seed Co.

Brookings, S. D.—George P. Sexauer & Son will build a large seed warehouse, work to start at once. The new structure will be immediately east of the seed plant and will be 50 x 82 ft. in size, four stories with full basement, and will be of brick and tile construction. R. A. Mark has the contract to build.

Program of A.S.T.A.

The American Seed Trade Ass'n has a program embracing every branch of the seed trade for its annual meeting June 19 and 20 at the Palmer House, Chicago, Ill.

The hybrid seed corn division will meet at 2 p.m. June 19, Fred W. Lehman, presiding, in a round table discussion of seed laws and the procurement of detasseling labor.

The farm seed division will meet June 20 at 9:30 a.m., Carl Barnum, chairman, and hear of the latest developments in price ceilings from two representatives of the O.P.A. War and Post-War Seed Requirements will be covered by W. A. Wheeler, Washington; and Seed Requirements for Europe, by Edwin R. Henson of the U.N.R.R.A.

The eastern wholesalers of farm seeds will have a breakfast meeting June 19 at 8 a.m.

Elmer H. Sexauer, pres., states that this will be a serious war conference, streamlined into two days.

Popcorn Ceiling

To prevent evasions of price ceiling on popcorn, the O.P.A. has stated the exact conditions that must be met before the maximum price established for shelled popcorn, which has been processed, can be charged. This action, which became effective May 1, clarifies the definition of processing and enumerates the functions of a processor. It also amplifies the paragraph on evasion, forbidding the temporary leasing of facilities for processing, and provides a clear definition for processed shelled popcorn, which says that it must contain more than 14 per cent moisture content and must be in prime popping condition.

The prices established by this order effective May 1, are, \$9.35 per hundred pounds, sacked, of white hullless popcorn and \$8.75 per hundred pounds, sacked, of all other varieties. Unprocessed popcorn is \$6 per hundred pounds of any variety.

Purchase Program for 1944 Austrian Winter Pea Seed

The War Food Administration has announced a purchase program for Austrian winter pea seed produced in 1944, thus providing for a regular carryover of seed to encourage planting during the most desirable season in Southern States.

The program offers producers \$5 per hundredweight for standard-quality seed and handlers in the producing area \$5.40 per cwt. for seed meeting shipping requirements.

Austrian winter peas meeting specifications will be purchased from producers on a cleaned and fumigated basis, while purchases from

handlers must also be tagged for interstate shipment and be offered in carlots, f.o.b. cars at country shipping points. Certification will be required from handlers that producers were paid at least the basic producer price for each component lot in the shipment.

This program will be of most concern to the states of California, Oregon, Idaho, and Washington since these states have been the chief contributors in the past two years to building up a stockpile of winter cover crop seeds which is now available for early distribution.

Pacific States Seedsmen Confer

By F. K. H.

Some 400 growers, retailers, wholesalers and affiliated trades, were in attendance at the Nineteenth Annual Business Conference of Pacific States Seedmen's Ass'n, May 30th-June 1st, Multnomah Hotel, Portland, and felt richly repaid for their time and efforts in the numerous sessions.

The initial session was opened by President C. G. Bowen of Boise, who in the absence of E. L. Peterson introduced W. E. Upsham, of Oregon Department of Agriculture for the address of welcome. Response was made by Howard Jenks, of Jenks-White Seed Co. of Salem. He congratulated the dealers on overcoming their many problems and difficulties of the past year. He noted the heavy increase in population in various areas, which had for many made also a nice increase in sales.

The well known veteran Charles C. Massie, president Northrup, King & Co., Minneapolis, in outlining his first fifty years in the business, expressed appreciation of the cooperation he had received in the past and knew that the seed business would do even a better job in the future. "I feel that the W.F.A. should be given credit for the splendid way it is handling distribution of vegetable seeds to England and Russia through the lend-lease program."

PRESIDENT BOWEN thanked associates for their help, and the manner in which the entire seed trade had kept up their service. It was his belief that the O.P.A. ceilings had kept down the price of seeds to the consumer, that there was no question but what these ceiling prices would be improved.

He urged that more members join the A.S.T.A. and lauded them for the great help rendered and urged all state associations to keep in close touch with their efficient officers.

In making recommendations for the future Mr. Bowden believed it would be good idea to

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have a new secretary chosen among the dealers and that he be paid a salary; recommended that there be both a Grievance and Arbitration committee, and also a council composed of the Ex-Presidents of the Association. He declared that by far the largest proportion of the nation's seed production takes place in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada and California.

"FIELD and Garden Seed in Oregon" was outlined by W. F. Cyrus of Forrest Grove, Ore. He declared he would make no prediction on yields, but that many new varieties would be forthcoming this year; that weather, however, would, as usual, have a lot to do with the volume; Vetch had gone up in production as crop of winter peas went down. As in the past, growers in the Willamette Valley will always find a good market for their Vetch hay, and this year at better prices. He noted there were some 18,000 acres planted to Austrian peas this year, as compared to 27,000 acres last year in Umatilla county. It looks like 1944 will be O.K. if by some miracle farmers get the necessary parts for their old machines. If not then harvest will be delayed.

Dr. Wm. A. Schoenfeld, Oregon State College, Corvallis outlined the "Four-Way Tie-Up of Oregon Seed." At the outset he lauded the cooperation between the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Oregon State Experiment station; the trade generally and the P.S.S.A. The combined work of the four groups had produced real results, and predicted even greater ones in the future. There has been a phenomenal growth in the seed industry of Oregon. On new varieties of seed the Doctor urged that they be tried first in a small acreage, and then steadily increased when results had been proved.

WALTER S. BALL, secretary, of Sacramento, gave the report of California Seed Council, outlining the purposes and what it can continue to do; that this group had been a real factor in building the seed industry in that state; that they had given much support to the Legislative program, and that it was needed by this and similar groups in other states in order to keep abreast of numerous changes. The speaker urged that they should endeavor to secure better food inspectors.

PRESIDENT RALPH KELLY gave a brief report of the California Seed Ass'n. He urged that all work closely with the O.P.A., especially on field seeds. He said, Argentine Alfalfa had done exceptionally well in the Sacramento Valley. State and regional associations are more important today than ever before, and this is likely the reason that so many retailers are hastening to join their state associations.

HARRY A. SCHOTH, Senior Agronomist U.S.D.A., Corvallis, Ore., gave his usual inspiring address, bringing out a heavy supply of facts and figures, which if followed, will mean increased yields for various growers in the States.

"There is not much use in trying to visualize that the post war will be similar to that after War I, it will likely be longer, wider and tougher, and heavier problems. Methods and areas of production, and distribution are due for changes. There will be Competition, both at home and from abroad and PLENTY of it. A decrease in present high prices is bound to come. Seed growers also will experience for some months scarcity of reliable labor.

Likely we will have new and drastic changes in transportation of crops, by truck, rail and even air; also more space will be available for ocean and river transportation.

While our Southern customers have used much cover crops from our area, they are now growing substitutes of their own, like Lupin and others. For the marginal seed grower, the old ones will go out and doubtless some of the new ones, and only those who really know their stuff will survive. Some years ago row growing was frowned upon but today it is being used to much greater extent, in order to keep down new and old weeds, supplemented by better chemicals.

JOSEPH GERBER, Portland, lauded the great work done by Professor George R. Hylsop, former head of the Oregon State college farm crops, and urged all those who desired to subscribe to the Memorial Fund. He anticipated that in the future many students of agriculture would benefit by loans from this fund. The "Story of Hylsop" will soon be published.

D. D. HILL, Department of Farm Crops, Oregon State College, supplemented and O.Kayed the points stressed by Dr. Harry Schoth in outlining the "Oregon Farm Crop Program."

Other outstanding speakers included H. A. Marks of Pacific Coast Garden Bureau; P. V. Kelly, "Field Seed Prospects in Utah"; "Vegetable Seed Production in Utah," by Dr. Leonard H. Pollard; A. L. Hafenrichter outlined "Grassland Agriculture, Soil Conservation"; "Washington Seed Production" was showing a heavy increase according to J. C. Jones; and James A.

Young of American Seed Trade Ass'n, Chicago, at some length told of "Seed Industry War Problems." "Some Problems of the Frozen Food Industry" was real news to many delegates, as given by Leon Hubbard of Birdseye-Snyder Division General Foods, Hillsboro, Ore.

A panel discussion on O.P.A. seed price regulations featured the closing session, headed by Frederick C. Hart and Fritz Loenholdt, seed and rice section, Washington, D. C.

OFFICERS elected are: E. E. Soderberg, of the Aggeler & Musser Seed Company of Los Angeles, pres., following his successful handling of the job as secretary of the Ass'n for the past eight years; Louis B. Lagomarsino, of Sacramento, Cal., vice pres., and James Jenks of Albany, Ore., sec'y-treas. Named as directors were Alex Sellars; Bert Wilson, Carl Bowden, recently president; and Charles Morse.

The successful session closed with the usual banquet, ball and musical entertainment.

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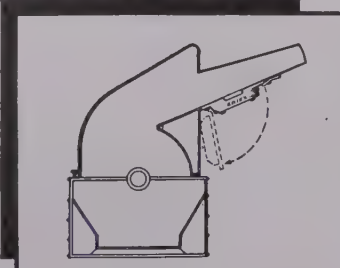
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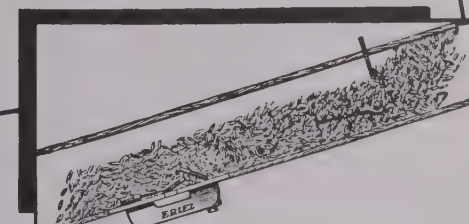
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Feedstuffs

The oil meal set aside for July will be 20 per cent of production, the W.F.A. has announced officially.

Lafayette, Ind.—The annual meeting of the Indiana Cattle Feeders Ass'n will be held at Purdue University, June 23.

Ste. Adele, Que.—The Canadian Feed Manufacturers Ass'n will hold its annual meeting at St. Adele Lodge June 21-23.

St. Louis, Mo.—Charges of violating O.P.A. ceilings on feed prices have been filed against I. Mariam & Son, also doing business as the Standard Feed Co.—P. J. P.

The W.F.A. has extended to the 1944 crop its offer to buy linseed meal and oil from processors paying growers not less than the minimum support price announced Mar. 4.

Sales of wheat for feed by the C.C.C. have risen during the week ending June 10 to 301,022,722 bus. since July 1, 1943. Stocks of wheat owned by the C.C.C. stood at 98,718,367 bus. on May 31.

Washington, D. C.—W.F.A. Administrator Jones states that eggs bought by the government to hold up the price will be sold to feed manufacturers to be made into protein feed. Bids at \$30 per carload are being accepted by the midwest regional office of distribution, for the over supply.

Windsor, N. S.—In the first prosecution of the type in the eastern provinces, the Hants Wholesalers, dealers in feeds and flour, were fined \$125 and costs. The magistrate convicted the firm on a charge of selling poultry grit at a price higher than was just and reasonable. The prosecution was laid by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.—Wm. McN.

Ottumwa, Ia.—The Hillview Hatchery has lost its suit to enjoin the collection of social security taxes on employees exempt because engaged in an agricultural occupation. The federal court at Des Moines dismissed the suit on allegation by the district attorney that the U. S. Code prohibits the court from restraining the collection of any United States tax.

Dallas, Tex.—Jas. W. E. Drew has agreed with the Federal Trade Commission to desist from using the statement "R. O. P. Males heading our finest pens." He further agrees to cease using any representation that chicks sold by him are produced in his hatchery when such chicks are hatched from eggs obtained from supplying farmers or poultry raisers.

Washington, D. C.—The O.P.A. has ruled that "the charging of interest in connection with the sale of alfalfa hay constitutes a violation of MPR 322. The ruling is based upon Section 12 of the Regulation, which provides that the maximum prices shall not be increased by any other charges whatsoever, including charges for the extension of credit. The charging of interest constitutes a charge for the extension of credit."

Feed Movement in May

Receipts and shipments of feed at the various markets during May, compared with May, 1943, in tons, were:

	Receipts		Shipments	
	1944	1943	1944	1943
Baltimore	6,110	4,401	.....	.....
Chicago	39,032.5	34,903.5	55,729	62,733.5
Kansas City	1,590	5,010	27,840	30,030
Milwaukee	30	400	17,150	12,100
Minneapolis	.....	.....	104,130	66,960
Minneapolis*	4,050	2,370	5,280	6,540
Wichita	.....	.....	6,766	8,578

*Screenings.

Renderers are slow to buy the eggs at \$30 per carload that the government is selling to get rid of them, after having paid the poultrymen \$4,860 per car. The government idea is that the packers can work off the surplus eggs into tankage for feed. The Chicago regional office has about 650 cars of eggs, and has been able to dispose of only 75 of them to renderers, who are fully occupied with the heavy marketing of cattle and hogs.

St. Louis, Mo.—E. G. Fiss Distributor and Associates, peat plant is nearing completion in Province of Quebec, Canada, and they expect to be in production about June 15. They anticipate distributing 200 carloads of peat in the States this season and over one-half of the production has already been contracted for by individual dealers. This peat is of light color, high absorbency and is packed in new heavy kraft paper bales which prevent sifting.

Nashville, Tenn.—Emmett J. Smith & Daughter are charged before the Federal Trade Commission with having falsely represented in advertising matter that they are U. S. Record of Performance breeders operating a poultry hatchery under the supervision and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the National Poultry Improvement Plan, administered by the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Animal Industry; that their chickens and baby chicks are blood tested and absolutely free from pullorum disease.

Newark, N. J.—White Laboratories, Inc., producers of the well known Clo-Trate Vitamin Oils, have announced a new feed product, which will be known as White's Livex Natural Riboflavin Supplement. Animal livers have long been recognized as one of the richest sources of riboflavin and other vitamin B complex factors. In the production of White's Livex, an improved process for producing natural riboflavin by bacterial fermentation of animal livers has been utilized. This highly potent riboflavin material is dispersed in a cereal vehicle to facilitate uniform distribution in feeds in dry, free-flowing form. White's Livex is standardized to contain not less than 250 micrograms (gamma) riboflavin per gram, equal to 113,400 micrograms per pound.

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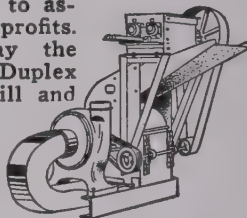
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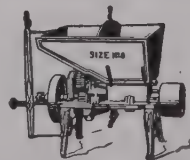
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Feed Manufacturer May Add Mark-up

Chester Bowles, O.P.A. administrator, states that Amendment 6 to M.P.R. 378 makes it clear that manufacturers may add the wholesale or retail markup on sales of mixed feeds or mineral mixed feeds which such a manufacturer purchased from another manufacturer. Prior hereto, the wording of Section 19 was ambiguous although it was intended, when the regulation was issued, that such additions be permitted.

The amendment, effective June 3, follows in full:

Sec. 19. Dealing between persons of the same class. No person shall sell mixed feed or mineral mixed feed bought from a person who, with respect to the particular lot being priced, is in the same class to which he belongs, at higher than the maximum price which his supplier could have charged him on the sale to him.

Heavy Consumption of Feed First Half of Year

Feed grain requirements during the first half of the present feeding year have been unusually high, chiefly as the result of the record numbers of livestock and poultry on farms. The total domestic disappearance of corn and oats in the 6-month period, October, 1943-March, 1944, including industrial use, amounted to 73.4 million tons, or a quantity equivalent to .43 ton per grain-consuming animal unit on farms Jan. 1, 1944. This compares with a domestic disappearance equivalent to .45 ton per grain-consuming animal unit on farms Jan. 1, 1943, during the corresponding period of the 1942-43 feeding year, and with .42 ton for the October-March average domestic disappearance per grain-consuming animal unit in the 5-year (1937-41) period.

The domestic disappearance of corn in the January-March quarter amounted to more than 875 million bushels, only slightly smaller than in the same quarter of 1943, which was larger than for that quarter in any previous feeding year. The disappearance of corn during the October-December quarter of the present feeding year was 10 per cent greater than a year earlier, and was the largest disappearance on record for that quarter. During the first half of this present feeding year, which began October 1, total domestic disappearance of corn, including corn fed as silage, was 2,309 million bushels, or about 126 million bushels greater than disappearance in the same period of the 1942-43 crop year and 480 million bushels greater than the average for the same period in the 5 years beginning 1938.—U.S.D.A.

Mixed Feed Advisory Committee

The O.P.A. has announced formation of a Class B mixed feed manufacturers and retail dealers industry advisory committee, which will represent about 30,000 retail feed stores and about 15,000 Class B feed manufacturers.

It is composed of A. W. Carpenter of the Eastern Federation of Feed Merchants, Inc., Sherburne, N. Y., chairman; C. N. Silcox of the Cooperative G.L.F. Holding Corp., Ithaca, N. Y., vice-chairman; Ray Bowden of the Grain & Feed Dealers Nat'l Ass'n; Paul Gebert, Jr., The Lincoln Mill, Merrill, Wis.; J. E. Donovan, Donovan Grain & Fuel, Albert Lea, Minn.; J. B. Claypool, Claypool & Co., Inc., San Bernardino, Cal.; John Hinck, The Hinck Mills, Corning, Ia.; Lorin Markham, Yakima (Wash.) Milling Co.

Joseph Meibergen, W. B. Johnston Grain Co., Enid, Okla.; Lionel True, James H. Gray Milling Co., Inc., Springville, N. Y.; Elton Kile, Fred Kile & Son, Kileville, O.; R. E. Wendland, Wendland Grain Co., Temple, Tex.; Harold L. Gray, Gray Agricultural Supply Co., Crawfordsville, Ind.; F. W. Lipscomb, Lipscomb Grain & Seed Co., Inc., Springfield, Mo.; John R. Jirton, Morrill, Neb.

Emory L. Cocke, Ashcraft-Wilkinson Co., Atlanta, Ga.; R. F. McLeod, Retail Stores Division, Charles M. Cox Co., Boston, Mass.; C. D. Kendall, Eastern States Farmers Exchange, West Springfield, Mass.; Howard H. Gordon, public relations director, Southern States Cooperative, Richmond, Va.; Harry Truax, Indiana Farm Bureau Cooperative Ass'n, Indianapolis, Ind.; H. M. Blackhurst, Utah Poultry Producers Cooperative Ass'n, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Oats Advisory Committee

The following are members of an Oats Advisory Committee recently appointed, whose work with the O.P.A. on problems arising from price controlling the production, distribution, and processing of oats will affect approximately 15,000 companies: Paul Bimmerman, Quaker Oats Co., Sherman, Tex.; R. G. Cargill, Victoria Elevator Co., Minneapolis; E. M. Combs, E. M. Combs & Son, Chicago; Walter McCarthy, Capitol Elevator Co., Duluth; A. W. Nielson, Westcentral Co-operative Grain Co., Omaha; M. J. Pritchard, Northern Oats Co., Minneapolis; R. F. Cunningham, R. F. Cunningham & Co., New York; B. O. Holmquist, Holmquist Elevator Co., Omaha; R. F. Gunkelman, Farmers Grain Co., Fargo, N. D.; F. R. Houlton, Houlton Grain Co., Denver; Ben Feuquay, Feuquay Grain Co., Enid, Okla.; Peter Knowlton, Checkerboard Elevator Co., St. Louis; Walter Meers, Meers Bros., Bloomington, Ill.; K. K. Smith, Kimbell Milling Co., Fort Worth, Tex.; S. L. Rice, Rice Grain Co., Metamora, O.; E. W. Stuhler, Cooperative G. L. F. Mills, Inc., Buffalo; Harry Shere, Van Dusen Harrington Co., Minneapolis; S. W. Wilder, Wilder Grain Co., Cedar Rapids, Ia.; James L. Young, Simonds-Shields-Theis Grain Co., Kansas City.

Others on the committee are: E. B. Evans, Evans Elevator Co., Decatur, Ill.; Julius Mayer, Continental Grain Co., St. Louis; S. J. Meyers, Arcady Farms Milling Co., Chicago; C. E. McDonald, Terminal Grain Corp., Sioux City, Ia.; John R. Murray, Quaker Oats Co., Chicago; Elwood Williams, Farmers Grain Co-operative, Ogden, Utah; W. A. Kearns, Edward L. Eyre Co., Portland, Ore.; Benjamin Danforth, Farmers Union Grain Terminal Ass'n, Great Falls, Mont.

The American Corn Millers Federation re-elected its officers at the recent annual meeting at Chicago: Pres., J. J. Mullen, Kankakee, Ill.; vice pres., K. L. Juve, Battle Creek, Mich.; 2d vice pres., C. R. Martin, St. Joseph, Mo.; treas., R. C. Huth, Milwaukee, and sec'y, Harry Hunter, Chicago. During the year 24 members were admitted while three were lost by fire, going out of business or consolidation, making a net gain of 21 and a total of 100. A. Udell of Battle Creek, chairman of the committee to encourage production of white corn, made recommendations.

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One Thousand Attend Milwaukee Meeting

More than 1000 Wisconsin dealers gathered at Hotel Schroeder, Milwaukee, June 5-6, for the 19th annual convention of the Central Retail Feed Ass'n, in fact 1010 registered.

PRES. FRED H. PITTELKOW, Oshkosh, called the opening session to order in the Crystal Ballroom, Monday morning.

CARL A. HOULTON, Pres., Milwaukee Grain and Stock Exchange, extended the delegates a hearty welcome.

PRES. PITTELKOW responded and delivered his annual address as follows:

As president of the Central Retail Feed Association I wish to extend a personal greeting to all our members and say to both members and non-members that you are sincerely welcome at this our 19th annual convention and war conference.

In times like these, it is mighty important that all business men get together often. This is especially true of the feed business which is tied up so closely with the Food for Victory program.

I WOULD LIKE to report that during the past 12 months our association compiled a most excellent record of service. Unfortunately, that service cannot be confined solely to our members, since the work the association does carries with it benefits for all feed men. As a result, some feed men are taking a free ride at the expense of progressive members of the industry. But I am happy to report that the percentage of "free riders" is rapidly being reduced.

Perhaps one of the most effective endeavors of our association during the past year has been its cooperation with the Wisconsin State War Board, which is directed by our good friend Walter Katterhenry.

BY COOPERATING with this organization of the A.A.A. and attempting to show how well private business fits into the picture on the feed front, it has been possible to save a great deal of business for the private trade. This situation, because of the cooperation of the Central Retail Feed Ass'n, is very much unlike that found in many neighboring states where the A.A.A. distributes most of the allocated government feed direct to farmers.

YOUR ASSOCIATION has always gone out of its way to show the A.A.A. that we mean to cooperate and it has paid dividends. We are represented on the state feed advisory committee which meets monthly in Madison and we also have a representative on the feed allocation committee of the A.A.A. This work is mighty important since it involves the distribution of soybean and linseed meal, feed wheat and more recently Canadian oats.

WE ARE in the middle of a great struggle to determine whether free nations shall survive as such. We in the feed industry can feel the full impact of that struggle. We get its importance in many ways. We know that maximum food production is called for. We have been called on by the farmer to give him the right kind of feeds to produce the meat, milk and eggs which are so necessary.

It isn't bragging when we say that despite war-time restrictions, the feed industry is doing its job well. Despite the lack of experienced help, despite a continual shrinking of our gross profits, despite the necessity of adjusting formulas to meet shortages of certain ingredients, yes, despite the thousand and one minor and major difficulties, we in the feed industry can still smile and be cheerful. We know that no matter how difficult it is for us on this side that our boys overseas are sacrificing a great deal more than we can ever realize and like typical Americans they are carrying on, never quitting, never complaining and determined to see it through until they can put across that third strike on the Axis partners.

THE BIGGEST QUESTION in the minds

of our members is "Will this government direction and participation in business continue after the war?" There is a fear in all our minds that perhaps free enterprise as we knew it in the past may not ever again bring its head to the surface.

WE MAY or may not have free enterprise again, but if we don't have it, the fault will be our own. Government participation in business seems to be a result of an attitude among Americans which induces them to say, "There ought to be a law against that." You've heard people say that, people who never realized that once the regulation they asked for was in effect it would control them as well as those whom they wished to have controlled.

After the war we will never have free enterprise if business men continue to run to the government with their problems, if they try to get the government to put in controls which will temporarily give them certain advantages.

When this war ends it will be up to business to take the lead and solve its own problems. The members of all industries must work together. Members of the feed trade, manufacturer, wholesaler, retailer, jobber and broker must be willing to sit down together and recognize the fact that all must work together to solve their own industry problems. If this is not done, if industry cannot solve its own difficulties without driving to Washington for help, you can look forward to continued regimentation after the war.

The trade association will be the greatest factor in bringing about the return of free enterprise for it is through your association that all business men can work together for a common cause.

SECY DAVID K. STEENBERGH'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Businessmen representative of every industry and from all sections of the country have regularly complained of the steadily increasing expense they have been forced to assume because of the many new federal laws and regulations. Social security, unemployment insurance and now the withholding tax have added to the duties of the accounting and bookkeeping departments of every business and to keep the records required for these purposes even comparatively small firms have found it necessary to add one or more additional accountants to their payrolls.

SINCE THE WAR, the OPA, WPB and WMC, as well as other alphabetical agencies such as the AAA and CCC, have also increased the overhead of American business. Most every firm of any consequence has at least one man who devotes the larger share of his time to attempting to interpret and arrange for the compliance of his firm with the regulations of the agencies designated above. A good number of firms, too, have found it necessary to employ legal counsel to help in the interpretation of the regulations, to assist them in obtaining what is rightfully theirs under the regulations and to protect them from penalties often wrongfully imposed under incorrect interpretations of the regulations.

To assist its members with this added government imposed burden of work and expense has been the principal objective of the Central Retail Feed Ass'n during the last year. Many of our members do not have and cannot get an extra man to handle this work for them individually. At the association offices, therefore, we have made it our business to attempt to interpret and clarify the regulations for all of our members and we have also assisted many of our members individually in their efforts to comply with OPA regulations, obtain new necessary machinery for the operation of their businesses, keep necessary key men employed at essential work in their plants and obtain their fair share of the government allocated meals, wheat and oats.

The Central Retail Feed Ass'n would be unable to serve its members in this way, at its present schedule of dues, if it were not for the fact that the facilities and staff of The Feed Bag are at its disposal without cost to the association. The firm publishing The Feed Bag does receive a service and office maintenance fee of \$100.00 per month from the association but this amount of money, as all of our members must realize, would not pay the rental of an equipped office or the salary of a single stenographer to say nothing of any salary for executive direction.

TO KEEP THE MEMBERS of the Central

Retail Feed Ass'n informed with respect to the contents and interpretation of the various OPA, WPB, WMC and CCC regulations applying to their businesses, your executive secretary issued 17 regular and 14 special bulletins during the fiscal year which extended from June 1, 1943 to May 31, 1944. These bulletins consisted of a total of 52 mimeographed pages, 10 especially prepared cards and more than a dozen appropriate enclosures of pamphlets, folders and charts.

ONE OF THE IMPORTANT tasks undertaken by our association during the past year has been the extending of our assistance to the Wisconsin USDA War Board (which is also the state AAA committee) in connection with the allocation of meat scraps and tannage, soybean meal, linseed meal, wheat and oats.

Practically every state in the union now has a feed advisory committee cooperating with the AAA in the allocation of the above named feeds and grains but we believe Wisconsin was the first state to have such a committee and that our association was invited by Walter F. Katterhenry, chairman of the Wisconsin USDA War Board, to form such a committee many months before such orders were issued from Washington because of our long standing record of rendering assistance to and cooperating with the AAA here in Wisconsin.

Included on the feed advisory committee here in Wisconsin are your executive secretary, who is usually represented by his associate, Eldon Roesler, James H. Murphy of the Murphy Products Co. at Burlington, and John W. Jouno of the Stratton Grain Co. at Milwaukee, all members of the Central Retail Feed Association. In addition, Professors Bohstedt and Halpin of the University of Wisconsin and W. B. Griem of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, all honorary life members of the association, are also members of the feed advisory committee.

HALPIN HALL.—All of the work of the Central Retail Feed Ass'n is not devoted strictly to the selfish interests of its members. Evidence of this fact, if any evidence is necessary, may be found in the campaign which the association is sponsoring to raise funds for the erection of Halpin Hall, a new and modern poultry research center to be located on the campus of the University of Wisconsin, to be constructed as soon as possible after the war and to be named in honor of Professor James G. Halpin.

It is the intention of the sponsors of the Halpin Hall campaign to carry on until \$50,000 has been collected and turned over to the university. In accepting this money, the board of regents of the university has agreed to keep the money intact in a special Halpin Hall fund and when ready to build after the war to add whatever additional money is necessary to construct and equip one of the finest poultry research centers in the United States.

4-H CLUB PINS.—Another activity, in the public interest, is the awarding of solid gold 4-H club pins to the boy or girl doing the most outstanding work each year in each one of the approximately two dozen state 4-H club projects. The winners of these awards are selected by the state 4-H club headquarters staff and the pins are presented in the name of the association by the member whose place of business is nearest to the farm home of each winner.

This past year, the association presented 28 awards, consisting of a pin and certificate suitable for framing, to 4-H club boys and girls; one to an assistant state club leader and one to a county leader.

The pins, which were designed and are manufactured expressly for our association, are the finest 4-H club pins ever seen anywhere. They are highly treasured by the boys and girls who receive them and we have many fine thank you letters.

The association officially called and held seven district meetings during the past year. In addition, of course, there were many district meetings which were locally sponsored and arranged.

The official meetings were different from those of other years in that their primary purpose was to inform members of congress, home for a recess, of the war job and problems of the feed industry. Many of the congressmen admitted that they had never previously considered the basic importance of the feed industry, either in peace or at war.

DISAPPOINTMENTS of the past year included our inability to obtain from OPA an adequate margin for dealers who buy clover, alfalfa and alfalfa seed from farmer growers, clean it to meet the requirements of federal and state seed laws, test and tag it for purity and germination and resell it to planters.

There is a Wisconsin Seed Dealers Ass'n which felt assured that adequate margins were permitted under the regulation until a last minute interpretation narrowed the margin to a below cost basis just as the seed was beginning to move.

We believe the interpretation was the most unfair one ever issued by OPA and, because most of our members are seed as well as feed dealers, immediately tried to remedy the situ-

ation—even making one special trip to Washington for that purpose. The OPA, however, was not cooperative and time was too short to attempt to force a change.

As the situation now stands, we are assured there will be a favorable change in the regulation before next season but we believe the proposition merits the careful watch of all seed men.

THE MEMBERSHIP of the association was increased by slightly more than 20 per cent during the fiscal year which closed May 31. The ass'n has no indebtedness and its surplus account was increased from \$1673.66 on May 31, 1943, to \$2720.46 on May 31, 1944. This latter figure includes the cost price (\$1480.00) of two \$1,000.00 United States War Bonds which are now the property of the association.

JOHN H. BARRETT, Aviation Chief Metalsmith, U.S.N., related a vivid story of his experiences in eight major engagements, which brought the war much closer to all who heard him.

RAY B. BOWDEN, Executive Vice-Pres., Grain and Feed Dealers National Ass'n, described a typical day in the Ass'n's Washington office.

PRES. PITTELKOW appointed the following committees:

Auditing: John Becker, Monroe; James Vint, Union Grove; Al H. Lois, Bassett.

Resolutions: H. H. Humphrey, Wausau; Ed Cashman, New Richmond; Jim Murphy, Burlington; Carl Marks, Milwaukee.

Nominations: Don Mihills, Fond du Lac; J. E. Davis, Amery; Paul Gebert, Merrill.

Monday Afternoon Session

PRES. PITTELKOW again presided.

EDGAR L. HAYEK, mayor of Albert Lea, Minn., delivered an address "When G. I. Joe Returns," in which he described the Albert Lea program for post war community planning, and urged an intelligent effort in behalf of employment in all communities. He demanded discarding the economy of scarcity for one of plenty.

HON. HUGH A. BUTLER, United States Senator from Nebraska, delivered an address on "The World's Biggest Business," from which we take the following:

The World's Greatest Business

Today the Government of the United States can be truly called the World's Greatest Business. It has ceased long ago being just a guardian of the people's rights and has become a farmer, processor, wholesaler, retailer, manufacturer, employer, insurance company, salesman and would even like to preside at the birth of your children by becoming the master doctor through socialized medicine.

This great and diversified business in which we find our government today is partially caused by the present war conditions. Certain things must be done by government that private business handled before the war. In order to secure large and immediate supplies of raw materials from foreign countries it is necessary for the government to do the purchasing and necessary treaty making. In order to expand our arms industry the government necessarily had to finance the temporary construction involved. But then there is the other kind of business that the government has gone into which to me has been highly unnecessary and carried to a far too great degree.

Let us take a look at agriculture for a moment. Through the quota system and price support program, the government regulates the amount and type of crops that are to be grown. After the crops are grown, the government sets the price they will bring on the market. Perhaps the biggest buyer of grain crops is the Commodity Credit Corporation, a government subsidiary. If the grain goes into commercial channels the government directs where it will be shipped, and the amount each manufacturer will get. The manufacturer or processors is told what he must pay his employees, how long they can work, and generally has but one market for his product, the government.

If the corn or grain is to be used as feed, the government now determines whether or not you can feed it to this pig or that steer, depending upon the weight of the individual animal. After you have fed the livestock you may market it and receive a government fixed price for the animal. You may have been forced to market the animal earlier than you wished because the government determined that you had fed it enough and it was ready for market.

After the animal is marketed it is sold to the packer who in turn slaughters and dresses it. He, too, must pay certain wages and maintain

certain hours as prescribed by the government. When it comes to selling his meat, the packer is limited by the government as to whom he may sell, by the amount and number of ration points any one dealer may be able to produce. Then the consumer is likewise limited in the same way, but a price is set for the retailer to the consumer by the government. It looks like the government is *slightly* in the FARMING BUSINESS.

This same system applies in a greater or lesser degree in the manufacture of durable goods and clothing. You men who are in the feed business have felt the effects of it as well. My sincere belief is that we cannot continue in this way after the war is over. However, there are some in the inner circles who believe that such a system must continue. This being the case, one of our biggest jobs in the immediate post war period will be to make a correct and sound readjustment.

Government must not be the BIGGEST BUSINESS IN THE WORLD. It should be the aid and counselor of business, and moderate differences of national import. But never should it under ordinary times be the producer, the processor and the consumer as it has become under the present war economy. The economy of the nation should rest on its own feet, and not be subject to the political changes of government. Only by getting government out of business as such can this be done.

"Why doesn't Congress do something?" is the cry that reaches my ears and eyes through conversations and letters more frequently every day. Everyone wants to know why the Congress does not check the Administration in some of its domineering and business breaking methods. Perhaps I can explain it. The minority in Congress is doing everything in its power to do that very thing, but what are they up against?

Since 1932 both houses of Congress have been dominated by coattail-riding administration supporters. Many of the legislative acts from which you are now suffering were enacted during that period at the suggestion of the President. Don't forget that! When I entered the Senate in 1941 there were only 28 Republicans and today we have only 37. As a result, every committee is organized and dominated by those bearing the Administration label. Thus they control legislation.

But then there is the Democratic Steering Committee which has no Republican membership. This committee decides which bill is to come up, and when it will be acted upon. No matter how meritorious any bill may be, if it does not meet the approval of this Steering Committee it is dead. Since 1938 there has not been a single bill introduced by a Republican, and having national economic or social interest, which has been permitted to become law. Meanwhile, in the past 11 years one bill after another has been passed by the Administration group setting up agency after agency, and bureau after bureau with the authority to issue regulations with the force of law.

But what can Congress do? Congress can do nothing without the aid of the people who elect the members of Congress. Frankly, it is a personal problem which the people alone can solve. The majority which today the people realize, too late, has taken away their individual rights by trick and subterfuge, must be replaced with men truly representative of the people and their interests.

LARRY WHERRY, Chicago, vice chairman, Feed Industry Council, told of the organization and objectives of the Council. He said, "Regardless of the outcome of the election next fall, the government will be in the feed business for a long time, and it will pay us all to learn to get along with government." Our work is dedicated to the welfare of the farmer. We must sell feed economically sound and render better service to the farmer.

WALTER C. BERGER, chief, feed management branch W.F.A., reviewed cattle, poultry, and hog census and advocated a culling program to balance live stock with the available feed supplies.

Unless we get into adjustment he said, we will draw too heavily on the new crop, and we will be in trouble all next year, but if we do make adjustments, we will get along next year, provided we get normal crops.

The Annual Banquet

More than a thousand delegates and guests taxed the capacity of the Crystal Ball Room and the Green Room of the Schroeder for the annual banquet Monday evening. An excellent turkey dinner was served with all the trimmings.

An elaborate floor show was provided thru the courtesy of the Milwaukee Grain and Stock

Exchange and a good orchestra played for dancers far into the night.

Tuesday Morning Session

PRES. PITTELKOW presided at the third and closing session.

LYMAN PECK, Fort Wayne, Ind., in a discussion on "Wartime Nutrition" reviewed the work and findings of the Nutrition Committee of the American Feed Mfr's. Ass'n, and predicted that we will never go back to prewar rations because the old formulae may be too high priced and not economic, in view of new developments in war feeds. He expressed the belief that feeders will pay less attention to individual ingredients, and that feed will be manufactured and sold on a basis of results.

WALTER F. KATTERHENRY, U.S.D.A., Madison, told of the organization, personnel, and operation of the feed advisory committee in the state and described their method of allocating oil meal and distributing feed wheat and oats.

WALTER B. GRIEM, Madison, chief, feed and fertilizer inspection, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, reviewed the consumption of feed in the state and announced a 60 per cent increase in a 6 year period.

He announced a tremendous increase in the amount of fertilizer used in Wisconsin, and stated that with cheaper nitrogen after the war the roughage available would permit a much larger animal carriage.

MARK THORNBURG, Des Moines, sec'y, Western Grain and Feed Ass'n, discussed "Prospects for Corn." He stated that bad weather had delayed planting, but that Iowa farmers, by working around the clock when they could get into the fields, would have seeding finished by June 10.

Mr. Thornburg's paper is printed elsewhere in this issue.

JOHN BECKER read the report of auditing committee, which approved the treasurer's report.

H. H. HUMPHREY presented the report of the resolutions committee, which was adopted, expressing appreciation and thanks to the officers, speakers and firms contributing to the fine convention culminating a successful year.

DON MIHILLS presented the report of the nominations committee naming Frank Albrecht, Athens; Roland Tesch, Chilton; and Orrin Anderson, Edgerton; as directors to serve for three years.

At a meeting of the directors the following officers were chosen: Pres., Fred H. Pittelkow, Oshkosh; V-P., James Keegan, Richland Center; Treas., B. J. Logan, Westby; Exec. Sec'y, David K. Steenburgh, Milwaukee.

WALTER N. JONES, Chicago, summarized the highlights of the convention. Feed dealers, he said, definitely had a duty to perform, and a responsibility to their communities which would be repaid in a business way. Post war planning requires forward thinking, determination of what we want, and concentration on fundamentals and he expressed no fear that the feed industry would not be equal to the problems in the post war period.

At the Brewery

Blatz Brewing Co. was host to the convention at a stag luncheon at the brewery Tuesday afternoon. An excellent buffet lunch was provided and Old Heidelberg flowed freely to the accompaniment of accordion music, song and good cheer.

Cash in the hands of the American public on May 31 aggregated \$22,112,000,000, an increase of \$201,000,000 from a week earlier.

"Elimination of the many abuses of power" by the Office of Price Administration, by appropriate legislation was urged June 2 by the directors of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Management of Feed Supplies

By WALTER C. BERGER, Chief of the Feed Management Branch of the W.F.A.,
Before American Feed Manufacturers Assn.

During wartime conditions such as we have today, it is essential to utilize anything that has a nutritive value to it and it is even essential that we blend in some of the things the feed manufacturers have been criticised for using in mixed feeds such as screenings, elevator cleanings, etc. These things all have nutritive value and when properly blended can be conserved and used, and this can only be done by a good mixer.

I am very confident that if the feed industry had not taken the scarce proteins and blended them so thinly that they even ran the risk of ruining their own reputations, we never would have been able to have started and produced the terrifically large crop of baby chicks, pigs, calves, and of meat, milk and eggs last year.

We have been in the war over two and one-half years and do have on hand an abundance of food supplies.

INCREASE IN ANIMAL UNITS.—On Jan. 1, 1941, we had 133,500,000 grain consuming animal units; on Jan. 1, 1942, we had 143,000,000; on Jan. 1, 1943, we had 159,500,000 and on Jan. 1, 1944, we had 171,800,000.

In 1941 we were feeding on approximately a crop a year basis.

In 1942 we were on a crop and a quarter a year basis.

In both years, 1943 and 1944, we have been on approximately a crop and a half a year basis.

Now we have to adjust ourselves to a crop a year basis!

It is just that simple. The surplus grains are gone.

TONNAGE OF FEED CONSUMED.—Again I should like to give you some more figures. During the 5-year period starting with the crop year 1937-1938 thru 1941-42, we consumed in livestock production 105,200,000 tons of concentrated feed per year. In the 1942-43 crop year (from Oct. 1 to Oct. 1), we consumed 147,900,000 tons. That left us a carry-over of 16,700,000 tons. In the 1943-1944 crop year, that's this year, with the amount of livestock and poultry on hand today, we will consume 145,900,000 tons and will have a carry-over of only 8,700,000 tons.

CATTLE SLAUGHTER MUST EXCEED BIRTHS.—Last year in 1943, our cattle slaughtered was 27,200,000 head, whereas in the same year the calf crop was slightly over 33,000,000 head, and it is estimated that our calf crop in 1944 will be approximately 33,500,000 head, so that, in order to get an adjustment in our cattle numbers in this nation, we should slaughter approximately 36,000,000 head of cattle, or 3,000,000 more than the number of calves dropped.

That sounds simple in arithmetic, but the slaughtering capacity is estimated to be only around 34,000,000 to 35,000,000 head if operated at capacity each month. Our slaughtering capacity so far this year has been running as near capacity as possible. The cattle slaughtered during the first four months this year were 19% more than for the same period last year, and there were 40% more calves slaughtered during this period.

We are concerned about getting enough cattle to the slaughtering houses during the months of June, July and August in order to slaughter the necessary number of cattle this year. We need a system whereby we can encourage the movement of cattle, particularly cows and heifers, to the slaughtering houses during these months.

THE NUMBER OF DAIRY COWS on hand Jan. 1, 1941, was 25,500,000 head. On Jan. 1, 1944, it was 27,600,000 head. (These figures are included in the former figures given as all cattle.) It seems only reasonable to me that with this 9% increase in dairy cattle, we should have some orderly adjustment in dairy cattle numbers.

THE NUMBER OF POULTRY on hand Jan. 1, 1941, was 422,900,000 head which increased to 572,500,000 head Jan. 1, 1944, and I don't believe we got them all counted at that! These figures do not include the backyard flocks which represent a considerable number.

The aim is to have by Jan. 1, 1945, 170,000,000 hens and 280,000,000 pullets in the laying houses, or a total of 450,000,000, so that in reality there will be no need for hatcheries to continue hatching chicks during the months of June, July and August. We do not need more baby chicks started for replacement purposes in laying houses after June 1 and surely not after June 15.

CLOSE HATCHERIES.—It is recommended that broiler producers stop starting broilers during these same three months of June, July and August. A lot of feed can be saved by the hatcheries voluntarily closing down during this period. We will be able to put into laying houses all the good pullets and hens next fall for which we can supply feed and still give us the egg production we will need during 1945.

THE NUMBER OF HOGS on hand Jan. 1, 1941, was 54,200,000 head, against 83,800,000 head Jan. 1, 1944. Another interesting comparison is that the 10-year average slaughter of hogs was 77,000,000 head yearly. During 1943 the slaughter was 122,000,000 head. Our production goal on hogs this year was adjusted from the 122,000,000 head produced in 1943 to 105,000,000.



Walter C. Berger, Washington

RESTRICTIONS ON MIXED FEEDS.—I have been collecting some information to see if it is not practical and possible to change the restrictions on the mixed feed manufacturers. Up to the present time I have not been able to accomplish this, but feel that the control on the mixed feed manufacturer today is not on an entirely just basis. It is still necessary that some type of control be placed upon the mixed feed industry, and I am hopeful that we will be able to announce some sort of a plan soon that will give some relief to the amount of protein meals you can use in mixing feeds.

OUTLOOK.—If we get the livestock adjustment that I feel is going to be forced upon us between now and next fall, we should have plenty of feed to carry us thru on the basis of the revised estimates our goal committees tentatively decided upon last week, and that is on the basis of the figures I have given you.

Let us analyze the available supply again in final form. We had on hand to use during the crop year October, 1943, to October, 1944, 145,900,000 tons, providing we have a carry-over of only 8,700,000 tons. Now then, if these adjustments do take place, as harsh as the adjustments may seem in some places and in some areas, figured on average yield and May 1 acreage estimates, we will have 130,600,000 tons of feed concentrates on hand for the next feeding year from Oct. 1, 1944, to Oct. 1, 1945—approximately 15,000,000 tons less than will be used this year, but 25,000,000 tons more than the average used during the 5-year basing period from 1937 to 1942.

NO STARVATION is in sight, theoretically. We can still produce approximately 20% more than during the basing period and all we need is a good orderly adjustment of our livestock in accordance with our available feed supply.

SUGGESTIONS—I have listed a few suggestions that I should like to make for your consideration:

Get the facts to your customers.

Encourage orderly adjustment in livestock and poultry numbers.

Encourage the greatest utilization of pastures and roughage for all types of livestock and poultry.

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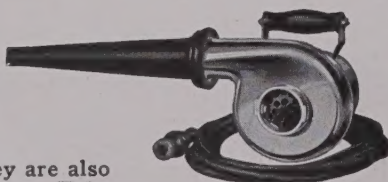
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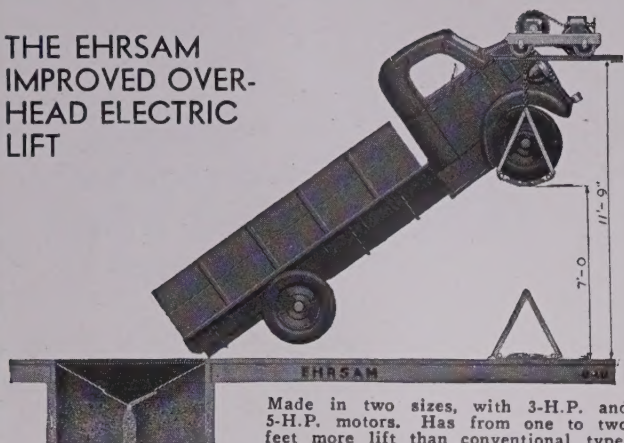
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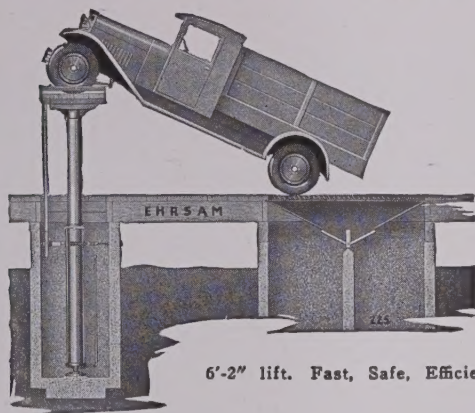
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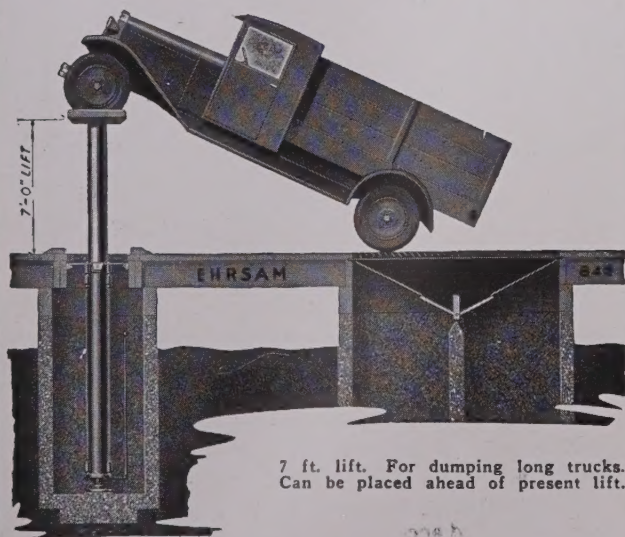
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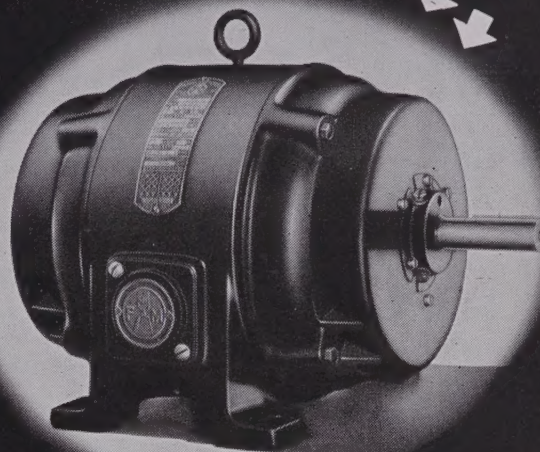
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